

MCCULLOUGH PEAKS FUTURE DEBATED

PUBLIC COMMENTS STIR UP HEATED DISCUSSION

BY MARK DAVIS
Tribune Staff Writer

Sparks flew last week as a Park County committee considered dozens of public comments on a draft proposal for the future management of a portion of the McCullough Peaks.

Wyoming Public Lands Initiative committee members Karintha Harrison and Jenny DeSarro

— who have fought to have the entire McCullough Peaks Wilderness Study Area (WSA) designated as an intact wilderness area — attempted to use opinions expressed in several of the public comments to renegotiate the boundaries that were proposed in the draft plan months ago. That draft had been hammered out by the committee through a more than year-long debate about the study area, which is just

one part of the broader McCullough Peaks area.

In the proposal, the McCullough Peaks WSA would be divided between wilderness and a Special Management Area to be used by mechanized recreational users, including motorcycles, ATVs and mountain bikes.

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Motorized recreation representative

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A WYOMING TOUR



Anthony Riesen — an AmeriCorps VISTA assigned to the Powell Makerspace — takes state leaders on a tour of the facility Wednesday afternoon. Tour members included (from left) Secretary of State Ed Murray, State Superintendent of Public Instruction Jillian Balow, State Treasurer Mark Gordon and State Auditor Cynthia Cloud (at right), with Makerspace Vice President Leslie McPherson pictured over Cloud's shoulder. The four statewide elected officials planned to attend the Powell Economic Partnership's annual meeting Wednesday night. Tribune photo by Mark Davis

Ralston man sent to prison for dealing meth

BY CJ BAKER
Tribune Editor

Last summer, a jury rejected Rogelio Rodriguez Jr.'s arguments that state drug enforcement agents had the wrong man; last month, a judge rejected his request for probation.

District Court Judge Bill Simpson ordered Rodriguez to serve five to seven years in prison for helping to sell methamphetamine in 2014.

Noting a "very extensive" history of crimes that include a prior drug delivery and previous prison time, Simpson told Rodriguez that "I just do not believe that you are a good candidate for probation."

"The issue is methamphetamine and I don't need to tell you the kind of menace and harm that methamphetamine rained down upon this county, this town, Powell, this whole surrounding area," Simpson said.

Rodriguez was convicted of helping sell one gram of meth for \$150 back in October 2014 — an amount that one of his defense attorneys called "nominal in the scheme of things" in requesting a sentence of probation.

Judge Simpson differed in pronouncing the prison time.

"It's been said before, and I believe it with every fiber of my being: Methamphetamine is the devil's candy. It just twists people and it destroys lives," he said. "So there is no such thing as a reasonable quantity of methamphetamine."

Rodriguez, 38, declined to testify during a two-day trial in late May/early June and presented no witnesses or evidence in his defense.

Defense attorney Richard Hopkinson made the argument that Rodriguez had been in Texas at the time of the sale and that it was a case of mistaken identity — that authorities failed to prove Rodriguez was the one who made the sale.

After relatively brief deliberations, jurors convicted him of a felony charge of delivering a schedule II controlled substance.

Felony drug charges make up a significant percentage of the cases that pass through Park County's District Court each year, but Rodriguez was the first person since early 2008 to go to trial in a drug case, district court records show.

One of the complicating factors in Rodriguez's case was that the Wyoming Division of Criminal Investigation had been investigating another man and planned for another location.

THE SALE

The informant in the case testified things began after work on Oct. 20, 2014, when Cody resident Michael Rosacci texted and offered 1 gram of meth for \$150. The informant said he agreed to assist DCI with the "controlled buy" to help his then-wife, who was facing criminal allegations.

The deal was supposed to go down at the Maverik store on Cody's Big Horn Avenue, with Rosacci being DCI's intended target. However, when the informant and his wife arrived at the convenience store, Rosacci was accompanied by a man he intro-

duced as "Roy" and explained they would have to go to Ralston to pick up the methamphetamine, the informant testified. (Prosecutors said they believe Rosacci and Rodriguez sold the meth they'd originally promised to someone else; charging documents allege the two men told the informant they were making roughly their sixth sale of the day.)

The informant and his then-wife agreed to drive to the Good 2 Go store in Ralston, where they waited for an hour or two in the parking lot. Eventually, "Roy" approached their vehicle and handed over a small plastic bag of meth.

"Sorry about that," Roy said of the delay, and they went their separate ways.

Based off of his voice, the way he carried himself and the fact that he was known as "Roy," DCI Special Agent Juliet Fish believed the man was Rodriguez, who she knew from previously working at the Cody jail. After seeing a photo of Rodriguez, agent Darrell Steward also believed that Roy was Rodriguez. At last year's trial, the informant testified he was "100 percent" positive Rodriguez delivered the meth.

Hopkinson, the defense attorney, countered that the agents didn't see "Roy" clearly and jumped to the conclusion that it was Rodriguez; he also suggested the informant had been motivated to help his then-wife.

Park County prosecutors attempted to call Rosacci as a witness, transporting him to Cody

from the state's medium-security prison in Torrington, where he was serving a three- to five-year sentence for the 2014 drug sale and an unrelated misdemeanor. However, when he was called to the stand, Rosacci invoked his Fifth Amendment right to remain silent.

TROUBLE IN JAIL

Prosecutors also attempted to introduce evidence of a January 2017 altercation inside the Park County Detention Center. That's when Rodriguez confronted the informant — who was then facing an unrelated burglary charge — at a church meeting.

Rodriguez "punched [the informant] in the nose ... and shouted at him something to the effect of, 'you mother[expletive] ing rat,'" Deputy Park County Prosecuting Attorney Leda Pojman wrote in a filing. Prosecutors argued that Rodriguez only knew the informant because he'd sold him the meth; the defense argued that word of an informant spreads throughout the jail.

Then-District Court Judge Steven Cranfill ruled that the evidence of the altercation was unduly prejudicial and inadmissible.

Rodriguez filed multiple legal actions against Park County Detention Center officers in federal court while awaiting trial. One of his claims was that he'd been "entrapped" by being allowed to be in the same room as the informant. He also alleged his mail was tampered with, that he'd been improperly extradited, that he'd been manipulated into accepting a package of boxers

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Kost to retire; superintendent's contract renewed for two years

BY TESSA BAKER
Tribune Features Editor

Powell school board trustees voted Tuesday to start looking for an assistant superintendent and, separately, to retain the district's current superintendent for the next two years.

At their regular meeting, trustees voted unanimously to extend Park County School District No. 1 Superintendent Jay Curtis' contract through June 30, 2020, with compensation to be discussed at a later time.

As for the assistant superintendent, it's not a new position, but simply a new title for the job now held by curriculum coordinator R.J. Kost.

Kost plans to retire in June after 36 years with the Powell school district.

"First and foremost, I would like to say thank you to Mr. Kost for his service," said Curtis.

Curtis said he's only had the pleasure of working with Kost since July, when he started as superintendent, "but it's been

a great six months."

Kost joined the district in August 1982 and taught at Powell High School for 24 years. In July 2006, he became the curriculum coordinator.

Curtis asked the school board to consider changing the job title for Kost's position to "assistant superintendent for teaching and learning."

"I want to be really clear that the job is not going to change," Curtis told the board Tuesday. "It's not like there's a new level of responsibility that goes with this; it's not like the job is going to change."

Curtis said he sees it as a logical change, and noted there would not be any budget impact with renaming the position.

"I think it provides a more concrete and logical chain-of-command in the school district in absence of the superintendent or in the event of something were to happen to me that caused me to be absent for an extended period of time," Curtis said.

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R.J. KOST

Come for the basketball, stay for the wedding



Skyler Zabriskie and his fiancée Kira Marlow smile for the camera shortly after his proposal over the winter break. Zabriskie, a former standout on the Northwest College hoops team, met Marlow last year, her first as a Lady Trapper. Courtesy photo

NWC CAGER KIRA MARLOW FINDS SUCCESS ON THE COURT, TRUE LOVE OFF IT

BY DON COGGER
Tribune Sports/News Editor

It wasn't exactly love at first sight.

When Shelley, Idaho, native Kira Marlow chose Northwest College to continue her basketball career last year, the last thing she expected was to meet the love of her life, at least right away. The three-sport athlete had bigger fish to fry as she transitioned from high school to the collegiate game, and didn't need any distractions.

But sometimes life (and love) sneaks up on you when you least expect it. As Marlow began mak-

ing friends with her teammates and expanding her social circle, she found herself hanging out quite a bit with the sophomores on both basketball teams. One of those sophomores was Skyler Zabriskie, an unheralded walk-on to the Trappers' Region IX championship team two seasons earlier. Coming to NWC with very little organized ball experience, Zabriskie worked his way into a starter by the 2016-17 season through hard work and determination.

"We had mutual friends, and it just kind of went from there," Marlow said. "We traveled a lot with the teams together, and we

just started getting to know each other."

That said, Zabriskie didn't catch Marlow's eye right away. "It was weird, because hanging out with that group at first, I didn't really notice him at all," she said, laughing. "He wasn't the first person I was like, 'Oh, he's sorta cute.' But we hung out together a couple of times, and I thought he was really, really nice. He's a really sweet guy. When I would get homesick, or had a rough game, he was just always there. He was always so supportive."

For Zabriskie, the attraction was a little more immediate, though he waited a while to act on it. "The very first time I ever saw her, she was taking ice with one

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BRIDAL EDITION INSIDE



Good year for rough-legged hawks in northwest Wyoming

BY MARK DAVIS
Tribune Staff Writer

As Rob Koelling makes his daily trips through area birding hot spots with his camera in hand, he's seeing far more rough-legged hawks than he has in years past.

Koelling typically gets several nice photos of the species, named for feathers that grow all the way down to their feet. But this year, he's passing by some opportunities due to the large number of rough-legged images in his winter portfolio.

"I usually get about three nice photos a year. This year I have 30," said Koelling, questioning why there are so many this year.

Rough-legs spend the summer north of the border, breeding in the Arctic, Canada and Alaska. There are only rare sightings of the raptor in the lower 48 during the breeding season, usually an injured bird unable to make the trip north. During the winter, the hawk will migrate south, some as far as northern Mexico. Large populations will move to the western great plains and areas that resemble their breeding habitat on the tundra, including the Big Horn Basin.

The graceful birds come in a variety of color phases, although a light morph seems to be the most common. They are most easily identified by dark patches midway through the underside of their wings — near the bend — and often perch on telephone poles and fence posts. They hover over open fields in search of their next meal of small rodents.

There have been rumors floating around the internet that huge wildfires in Montana may have made habitat unsuitable or killed many of the small rodents on which rough-legs depend.

Destin Harrell, a wildlife biologist in the area for the BLM



A rough-legged hawk leaves its perch on a telephone pole on Lane 7 near the Powell sewage treatment ponds. An abundance of rough-legs have been reported in the area. The species migrates to the area after spending their breeding season in arctic and subarctic areas. Weather and food sources are factors in how many stop in the Powell area year-to-year. Tribune photo by Mark Davis

and avid birder, said increases in the normal population of rough-legged hawks are more than likely due to their food source.

"These raptors provide the ecological service of 'pest' control, keeping small mammal populations in balance with the

habitat," he said.

Harrell said the abundance of rough-legged hawks during the winter can be a result of many factors, including declines of vole and lemming populations to the north, causing wintering birds to move further south looking for prey. Rough-

legs help keep the small mammal populations in check, especially targeting voles and mice in the Big Horn Basin, he said.

But Harrell isn't prepared to speculate on increased sightings or any trends that haven't been well researched.

Recently retired Northwest College biology professor John Campbell has a different point of view. His PhD was done in the Canadian Arctic and he's

sensitive to weather and its relationship to mammals and birds.

Campbell has noticed a rise in rough-legged hawk population, but not a "wildly" larger influx. Harsh conditions in the Arctic this winter means many of the hawks will look for better conditions further south, he said. Also, good conditions there this past summer made for more successful breeding, resulting in a higher popula-

tion of the hawks overall.

"It may have been a spectacular breeding year," Campbell said.

The harsh winter weather north of the border has also resulted in more sightings of snowy owls — another species which typically stays north of the Powell area.

Campbell doubts wildfires in Montana would have much of an affect on rough-legged migrations.

"While they were relatively large fires — huge for the people involved — they weren't big enough to affect migration," Campbell said.

He also pointed out rough-legs like open plains or prairies, not the usual spots for forest fires.

While most area birders agree it's a good year for the graceful raptor from the north, all agree those in the Big Horn Basin area are lucky to have an abundance of the beautiful birds in the area to watch and to eat pesty rodents.

The Big Horn Basin Mid-winter Eagle Survey will take place Saturday and include about 100 volunteers scouring the region. Though it's called an eagle survey, the group will count all types of raptors. This will be the 32nd year of the survey. In recent years, volunteers have recorded high numbers of eagles.

"Winter is the time to count the most eagles in the Big Horn Basin as many bald eagles that nest in Alaska come south to winter and many resident and non-resident golden eagles find the Big Horn Basin an excellent place to winter," Harrell said. "A shallow snowpack in the sagebrush-steppe and river corridors with open water allows for access to hunt prey and scavenge on carrion."

The survey ranges from Laurel, Montana, all the way to the Wind River Canyon.

Peaks: Public comments sought

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received on the draft, with a majority voicing support for wilderness. Others voiced opposition to any new wilderness.

"There were a lot of comments from people wanting to keep [the WSA] as an intact wilderness," Harrison said. "This is an opportunity for those interests to be met."

Harrison suggested adding land on the west side of the McCullough Peaks (land that's not included in the WSA) into the proposal for mechanized recreation and increasing the boundaries of the wilderness. The potential addition of non-WSA land was met with immediate disapproval from several of the committee members.

"Going outside of the WSA is obviously a waste of all of our time because the commissioners aren't going to support it," said Dustin Rosencranse, who represents motorized recreation.

Several Park County commissioners, who oversee the advisory committee, have repeatedly discouraged the panel from going outside the WSA boundaries.

Committee chairman Bucky Hall said two commissioners said they wouldn't consider lands outside the WSA and two would consider anything brought to them. The commissioners can accept the proposal or make changes as they see fit at the end of the advisory committee process. DeSarro argued commissioners would look at adding in non-WSA land — and that changing the boundaries was best.

"We can still put forward [a proposal] that includes [land] outside [the WSA] if it seems reasonable to the committee and the public," DeSarro said. "There were a significant amount of comments pushing for wilderness. It feels like to those people that something is being taken away from them."

John Gallagher, representing non-motorized recreation, argued the comments were evenly split between those wanting more wilderness and those wanting less. And he claimed many of the comments made in favor of more wilderness were solicited.

"A fair amount of the comments had a cut and paste character, and I know where they came from," Gallagher said.

The Wilderness Society sent out emails urging members to make comment, he said.

Chairman Hall said about a third of all comments made in favor of an expanded wilderness came from other counties in the state — primarily from the

Sheridan area.

"Some of the emails sent out requesting comment were not really fair to the proposal; they were quite one-sided. You have to take all of that into consideration when you read those comments," Gallagher said. "Public comment is not a popularity contest. I don't view this as a time to completely redo what we just did."

Christine Bekes of Powell, representing the general public, attempted to keep the group on track, wanting to stick to discussion of public comment and not opening up the meeting to attempts to renegotiate boundaries.

"For us to start down a road of considering boundary changes, there wasn't anything [in the comments] for me that showed a unique reason why we consider the proposal be scrapped. I didn't hear anything new or different that wasn't represented in [committee]. I'm very frustrated," Bekes said. "It's as if we're going back four months in time."

Several members agreed with her comment. DeSarro then threatened pulling support for the proposal.

"This is not going to meet our interests. Unless you're willing to expand the conversation, it's going to be very hard for conservation to come to the table and say we support [the proposal]," DeSarro said.

"To push those boundaries is absolutely justifiable. If it wasn't for me screaming and yelling and clawing saying, 'No, I want a hard W [wilderness],' it wouldn't exist right now," Harrison said.

"Conservation is not willing to compromise on something they don't want, but they expect the rest of us to do that," Rosencranse rebutted.

At that point facilitator Tara Kuipers asked that the committee maintain a respectful tone. Hall tried to end renegotiation efforts by pointing out that the group is both creating new wilderness and still meeting the needs of those using the land for recreation.

"In the end, we are creating new wilderness. I think we've made reasonable headway on this. If everyone leaves a little mad, we had successful compromise," Hall said.

The advisory committee will meet again in February and is currently seeking public comment on a draft proposal for the county's other wilderness study area, the High Lakes WSA in the Beartooth Mountains. To make comments, information is available at <http://www.parkcounty.us/commissioners/wpli.html>.

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OBITUARIES

Verne Baker

(Jan 9, 1917 - Jan. 6, 2018)

Uncle Verne Baker headed to Heaven on Jan. 6, 2018, three days before his 101st birthday. He was a quiet, kind, honest and devout man. He was meticulous in every detail of his life. Being on time always meant being early to him.

Verne was born on Jan. 9, 1917, and was raised on a homestead 60 miles east of Rapid City, South Dakota. He graduated from eighth grade. Striving to improve himself, he hitchhiked to Deadwood, South Dakota, and found work, and put himself

through high school.

In May of 1940, Verne married his wife Joan and they started their long loving journey together.

He loved to work and was employed by Texaco Oil for 31 years. After retirement, Verne and Joan toured the country, "eager to hit the open road and discover new horizons."

In 2001, they moved to Powell to be closer to family. Verne and Joan were married for 66 years until her death in 2006.



VERNE BAKER

Verne moved to Brookdale Assisted Care, where he made dear friends, and then on to the Long Term Care Center. Verne had great respect and appreciation for his caregivers and thought of them as family.

Verne was preceded in death by his wife Joan; mother Mary; father Oscar; and brothers Floyd and Arnold Wayne.

He is survived by sister-in-law Rose (Steve) Maynard of Sparks, Nevada; nieces Karen

(Steve) Devenyns of Cody, and Carol Anderson of Las Vegas; nephew Chuck (Shirley) Anderson and family of Evergreen, Colorado; great-nieces and -nephews, Tamie, Laura, Andrew and Zachary of Las Vegas.

His loved ones said it was an honor and pleasure to have Uncle Verne in their lives.

Special thanks and gratitude to all the staff at the Long Term Care Center for their attentiveness and loving care.

Graveside services at Riverside Cemetery in Cody will be Jan. 11, at 11 a.m. under the direction of Ballard Funeral Home.

Carol Jean 'CJ' Barnes

(April 1, 1968 - Jan. 4, 2018)

This truly pains us to announce the passing of Carol Jean Barnes (CJ), 49 years old, of Cowley, Wyoming. She has been taken too soon from this life on Jan. 4, 2018, in Lovell, Wyoming.

Carol Jean was born April 1, 1968, in Powell, Wyoming, to Edward and Edith Barnes of Cowley, Wyoming.

Carol Jean leaves behind two children, John Raymond Barnes (Aubree) of Casper, Wyoming,

and Della Rose Wolfe (Mason) of Gillette, Wyoming. Carol Jean also leaves behind two siblings, brother John Warren Barnes (Carolyn), and sister Renela Marie Barnes (Mike); as well as numerous nieces, nephews, cousins and many more loved ones.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Edith Jean Barnes (Cook) and Edward Raymond Barnes.

Carol was a loving mother, daughter, sister, aunt, and truly



CAROL BARNES

remarkable sponsor. She was an amazing and valuable contribution to her community and a friend to all who knew her. Her enthusiasm and love for life will be dearly missed. Carol Jean was married to Lance Wolfe for 11 years. She had a love of her fur babies, horses, gardening, rock collecting, and anything of the outdoors.

Carol Jean was aspiring to become an accountant, while studying in Powell at Northwest College. She worked

for WYDOT based out of Casper for several years, and most recently at Red Apple in Lovell. She was very dedicated to her NA & AA families.

For those who wish to attend her funeral services, they will be held at the LDS Church in Cowley, Wyoming, Thursday, Jan. 11, 2018 at 10:30 a.m.

There will be a memorial service held in Casper, Wyoming, to be announced at a later date.

We wish to thank everyone for your abundance of love and outpouring of support during this difficult time. Carol Jean Barnes was truly loved and will be dearly missed by all.

Mary Ann Hunder

(April 13, 1928 - Jan. 6, 2018)

Mary Ann Hunder of Powell died Jan. 6, 2018. She was 89.

Mary Ann was born in Belle Fourche, South Dakota, on April 13, 1928.

She married Kenneth Berton Hunder in 1947, and they had three children: Dawn (Dwight) Gilbert, Jay (Cindy) Hunder, and Simone (Gary) Bauer. Mary Ann is also survived by 11 grandchildren; 38 great-grandchildren, one brother, Junior (Shirley) Melum; and nieces and nephews.

When asked, Mary Ann said she "had done everything in life she wanted."



MARY ANN HUNDER

Eddie Downer

Eddie Downer, 67, of Powell, died in an accident at home on Jan. 7, 2018.

Memorial services will be on Monday, Jan. 15, at 10:30 a.m. at Cody Bible Church.

A full obituary will be published. Ballard Funeral Home is assisting with arrangements.

Meth: Judge finalized prison sentence in order signed Tuesday

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instead of briefs he was supposed to receive and that he was generally disrespected and harassed by jail staff. So far, his legal claims have been unsuccessful.

In addition to the altercation with the informant, Rodriguez got a citation for stealing from another inmate.

Rodriguez also pleaded guilty to a misdemeanor count of unauthorized use of a motor vehicle for reportedly stealing his parents' pickup in early November 2016. Authorities, who'd already been looking for him on the drug delivery charge, arrested him inside the vehicle in Billings days later. He's been incarcerated since then.

ARGUMENTS

At Rodriguez's Dec. 8 sentencing, prosecutor Pojman argued for a 10- to 12-year prison sentence, contending that Rodriguez

had gotten away with much over a span of roughly two decades. She pointed to past crimes that she said included a burglary, a DUI hit-and-run, domestic battery, aggravated assault and a prior meth delivery in 2005, followed by probation revocations.

"Reckless, careless, violent, dangerous, smug, with disregard for the law, disregard for court orders, disregard for the safety and welfare of Park County. That, your honor, is the defendant, without question," Pojman argued, later saying Rodriguez's chances "have flat run out; enough is enough."

Rodriguez and his defense attorney asked for probation or a shorter prison sentence.

"I just want to change my life and stop living that lifestyle that's keeping me from what I have — family and stuff like that," Rodriguez said, apologizing for his lifestyle and citing the negative influence drugs have

had on his life. He added that, "I haven't been there for anybody; I've been really irresponsible."

Public defender Mitch Damsky of Gillette, who represented Rodriguez at sentencing, said his client had a tough life growing up and got off track.

"At this point in life," Damsky said, "he wants to grow up."

With treatment for his drug addiction and by learning other skills, "he would become a good, productive member of society," Damsky said, noting that Rodriguez has a family willing to support him.

In imposing a five- to seven-year sentence, Judge Simpson encouraged Rodriguez to pursue as many opportunities as possible to deal with his addiction and further his education while incarcerated.

"I know you can do some good," Simpson said.

He noted that inmates generally only serve about two-thirds

of their sentence before being released on parole — meaning Rodriguez would stand to be released in a couple years — and he suggested he might consider reducing Rodriguez's sentence at a later date.

"It doesn't matter how much time you could have ahead of you," the judge added, "if you don't learn from these experiences."

Rodriguez's sentence was finalized in a written order that Simpson signed on Tuesday, clearing the way for him to be transferred from the Park County Detention Center to the state prison. That same day, the federal District Court in Cheyenne received letters from Rodriguez about two legal actions he wants to pursue, including a civil rights lawsuit for sexual harassment; Rodriguez wrote that a deputy at the jail recently made him feel uncomfortable with inappropriate comments.

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IN OUR OPINION

Cheney wrong to propose bill without consulting locals

If you were to query Wyomingites about the things they dislike about the federal government, you'd likely hear — over and over — a complaint that Washington, D.C., takes a “top-down” approach. It's another way of saying that we don't like it when politicians or bureaucrats thousands of miles away come up with ways to affect our area without involving us first. The objections to edicts from Washington are so commonplace here that you might call it a Wyoming mantra.

That's why we're baffled that U.S. Rep. Liz Cheney recently employed a top-down approach in introducing a bill that would change the management of 14,700 acres of federally owned land in Park County.

Cheney's bill, H.R. 4697, would protect mechanized recreation in the High Lakes Wilderness Study Area, which lies within the Beartooth Mountains inside the Shoshone National Forest.

Cheney says the bill — which would also apply to two wilderness study areas in Teton County — is meant to clarify language in the Wyoming Wilderness Act of 1984 “so existing outdoor activities can continue.” She said that Congress' original intent for the three U.S. Forest Service-managed study areas has been misinterpreted.

On the face of it, the concept sounds like something that a majority of local residents might support.

But here's the problem: Cheney apparently never took the time to actually ask local residents what they thought before presenting her bill to her colleagues in D.C.

For instance, Park County commissioners — who are involved in nearly every debate about local public lands — had no idea that Cheney's proposal was coming down the pike.

“It would probably be a smart thing to come out to Park County ... and explain where she's coming from versus broadsiding us like that,” offered Commissioner Tim French.

What's particularly frustrating is that Cheney did come to Park County just 11 days before she introduced H.R. 4697. However, in a Dec. 9 talk at the Holiday Inn in Cody that covered topics ranging from the FBI to federal water regulations to gun control, the freshman lawmaker didn't say a word about the legislation she was drafting to change the management of a local parcel of land.

Assuming that Cheney believes H.R. 4697 is something that locals want, why not give us a heads up?

The bill's timing is also odd because, while Cheney was developing her own proposal for the High Lakes area, a group of local volunteers has been working collaboratively to do that same thing in a more comprehensive way.

Park County commissioners appointed a mix of Powell, Cody and Meeteetse area residents to an advisory committee back in 2016, asking them to try reaching a consensus on how the High Lakes Wilderness Study Area and the McCullough Peaks Wilderness Study Area southwest of Powell should be managed.

The committee is a part of the Wyoming Public Lands Initiative, an effort started a couple years ago by the Wyoming County Commissioners Association. The aim is to come up with broadly supported plans for managing the state's wilderness study areas — finding common ground around the bitter divides that often mark debates over public lands.

Wilderness study areas are spots that are being preserved in their generally natural state, with the thought that Congress will eventually decide whether to officially turn the areas into wilderness or release them to other land uses. In the case of the High Lakes area and others, however, they've been simply stuck in limbo as study areas for decades.

We understand why Rep. Cheney and others are frustrated about the lack of progress or are skeptical about what the public lands initiative might propose. But Park County's committee could be fairly close to crafting a proposal for the High Lakes and McCullough Peaks study areas and we hope that Cheney will consider their work. Her office says she supports the Wyoming Public Lands Initiative and that H.R. 4697 “will not undermine the ongoing process.” A good way for Rep. Cheney to show her support would be to wait and see Park County's proposal before pressing forward with her own plan.

As Commissioner Loren Grosskopf put it, “it's a bitter pill when Washington decides, ‘This is what we're going to do.’”



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Only the lonely

Have you ever spread rose petals from your front door to your own bed — then return later to follow them upstairs? Have you gone bowling with family couples on New Year's Eve (as I did this year)? If so, you needn't suffer alone; you're most likely a lonely guy needing a support group.

My dog and I watched a Steve Martin movie, “The Lonely Guy,” recently. He begins narrating, “Hi, I'm Larry Hubbard and this is how I became a lonely guy. I met this gorgeous ballet dancer named Danielle and she was nuts about me. She asked me to move in with her.”

Things unraveled when he returned home bearing gifts, barely noticing the hairy-chested stud next to her in bed. After rummaging through his mail, he took his place in bed on her other side and while he kissed her shoulder, she introduced Raoul. “He's moving in tomorrow; he's bringing his things over in the morning.” Finally irritated, Larry barks, “Bringing his things over? There's hardly enough room for our things.”

On his way out with hands full of belongings, Danielle yells, “Larry, don't forget the garbage.” He somehow manages to drag clanging garbage bags behind him. On a park bench sat another sad sack (a bespectacled Charles

Grodin), also carrying bags and a fern, who meekly introduces himself as Warren Evans, asking, “First time, lonely guy?”

He confessed, “My girl Melanie just left me. She came home last night and caught a guy robbing her apartment ... they just kind of hit it off.” Larry commiserated and Warren replied sadly, “Probably for the better; she really started to let herself go. Drank a lot, never bathed ... fat.”

With an encouraging smile, Larry said “Hey, you'll meet another girl.” Warren shook his head slowly and mumbled, “Not like Melanie.”

“No, better than Melanie,” Larry promises. Thus, a beautiful friendship arose from the ashes. One night Warren invited Larry to his apartment for a party, and Larry was shocked to see Dolly Parton and Tom Selleck among other A-list celebs.

“What are those?” he asks. “Party cutouts; I got them at the Lonely Guy Store on 81st and Lex,” Warren says before excusing himself to check on dinner. Sipping a drink and swaying to the music, Larry answers the door to a cop warning about the

loud music.

Before leaving, the officer pointed to the cutouts and asked, “Where do you get these? They're fantastic!” Larry began, “You mean you're a ...”

“Yeah, a lonely cop,” came the reply. “Do you know if they got Gene Hackman?” he asked, to which Warren replied from the kitchen, “Yes, but you have to reserve him a week ahead.”

After repeated failures, Larry tries jogging to meet girls. Stopping, he tells us, “I'm not really jogging; I've only run 50 yards and this isn't real sweat.” Pointing to a spray can, he says, “They sell these at sports stores. This can was taken from a Boston Celtics player immediately after a double-overtime game.”

Just then, he spotted a pretty gal sitting at a café counter. He jogged in and began chatting her up when she asked, “How long have you been a lonely guy?”

“Is it that obvious?” he asked with amazement. She said sweetly, “I know phony sweat when I smell it.” Apparently she had met one of her six ex-husbands jogging with canned sweat.

She left with, “Hang in there;

lonely guys don't stay lonely forever” — adding she'd written her number on his napkin. He giddily used the napkin to wipe off the vanilla milkshake mustache the grinning server pointed out to him. He would remain a lonely guy.

Life alone wasn't easy. At a swanky restaurant, when he told the waiter he'd be dining alone, the crowded, buzzing room suddenly hushed, all eyes on Larry as he's led to a table lit with an actual spotlight. There was a rash of “Lonely Guy suicides” on the Manhattan Bridge, which Larry describes as, “Sort of the in-spot for suicidal lonely guys.” The radio said about one deceased loner, “He left no note; apparently he had no one to leave it to.”

The movie's too long to detail all the travails Larry suffers before finally finding and settling down with Iris. Even Warren — several times talked down from the crowded bridge — began dating Dr. Joyce Brothers.

So you see, there's hope for you lonely guys. After the movie, I dabbed my eyes dry, vacuumed up all the rose petals and whispered to my dog Ginger, “The dire forecast for 2018 has been upgraded to, ‘Clear and sunny.’” (Then I chugged more wine and passed out.)



DOUG BLOUGH
My Lousy World



A state should avoid being a donut hole

Far be it for me to refer to Wyoming as a “hole,” but that was the unique position our state held during the worst bust in its history.

During the 1980s and 1990s, our state languished as the rest of the Rocky Mountain states thrived. The syndrome was referred to as “the donut hole.” The states around Wyoming made up the donut with our state, located in the middle, being the “hole.”

This economic situation was blamed on our state's singular reliance on energy commodities, leading to countless calls for Wyoming to diversify. These other states all grew during those decades while our state lost jobs and state revenues plummeted. Our economy was stagnant. There were few successes. This was also the time when a chunk of our working middle class gave up and headed to more friendly economic climes.

The Democratic Party took a hit during this time as a lot of union members left. The Democrats never really recovered from that exodus, but that is another story for another time.

Following that bust, we boomed from 2002 to 2014 as coal surged and oil and gas boomed. I recall, in 2013, a longtime banker in Casper saying our economy was the best he had ever seen — perhaps the best ever. But it did not last long. Now the state has

fallen into a near-bust situation, which was graphically pointed out in a widely circulated article in the Washington Post recently.

That article stated that Idaho was the fastest-growing state in the country in 2017 and Wyoming was the slowest, finishing last. This prompted pundits and concerned citizens alike to question what we were doing wrong and what on earth were our neighboring potato-heads doing that was right?

The numbers, in reality, were not spectacular. Idaho grew 2.2 percent and Wyoming dropped 1.0 percent. When ranked against the other states and District of Columbia, we looked terrible and Idaho looks brilliant.

I emailed this story to some of the smartest people in the state and here are some of their replies:

Recently retired CEO of the Wyoming Business Alliance Bill Schilling chimed in:

“1. Idaho has a busy city — Boise — as state capital, good airport, university in downtown area and several Fortune 500 companies and strong corporate giving. Boise downtown has vibrancy and that has been a steady progression over the past 30 years; Coeur d'Alene is their

Jackson, but not to our scale. Nearby Spokane feeds it and nearby lakes provide recreation and tourism year round. An impressive inclusiveness reach from Boise to the rest of the state.”

2. A steady ag base due to Snake River irrigation — potato farming

3. In the panhandle, there is great scenery, skiing in winter and hiking/boating in the summer, along with big spender income in Coeur d'Alene.

4. Less severe weather. You don't hear about interstate closures like Interstate 80 here. Boise gets about 60 days more milder weather than Cheyenne.”

Former longtime Wyomingite Bart Smith, who is currently publisher of the Greeley Tribune, says: “It's no surprise that resource-dependent states ride that wave up and down and have for many, many years. I'm sure a few years ago as oil boomed and coal was strong that Wyoming was one of the fastest growing states and all politicians took credit.”

“I guess my main thought is this is nothing new at all — it has been the case for decades, and a Washington Post writer just



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State Rep. David Northrup, R-Powell (center), visits with Cody Mayor Matt Hall and his wife Jenny DeSarro during a dinner between lawmakers and municipal leaders last month at WYOld West Brewing Company. State Rep. Dan Laursen, R-Powell (second from right) and Sen. Ray Peterson, R-Cowley (at right), were among those in attendance. Tribune photo by Don Cogger

Powell hosts legislative dinner

EDUCATION, TAXES, MINERALS DEPENDENCE DISCUSSED AHEAD OF 2018 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

BY DON COGGER
Tribune Sports/News Editor

Park County legislators and representatives from Powell and Cody gathered last month to discuss education funding, taxes, higher fees for speeding tickets and other topics likely to come up during the Legislature's 2018 Budget Session.

In attendance at the Dec. 12 meeting at WyOLD West Brewery were Sen. Hank Coe, R-Cody, Rep. David Northrup, R-Powell, Sen. Ray Peterson, R-Cowley, Rep. Dan Laursen, R-Powell, Sen. Wyatt Agar, R-Thermopolis, and Rep. Nathan Winters, R-Thermopolis. Cody Mayor Matt Hall was among the municipal officials on hand, while Powell Mayor John Wetzel served as host. Each legislator was given a small block of time to discuss upcoming bills they are a part of, as well as committees they currently serve.

With the 2018 session set to convene next month, legislators are in the process of finalizing the bills they'll be bringing before the state. Winters, for example, will be introducing a bill that would add a flat \$4 fee to each speeding citation that would be used toward continuing education funding for law enforcement.

"That would raise around \$240,000 a year that could be used to offset that budgetary item that you guys face every year," Winters explained.

Agar discussed House Bills 13 and 14 — sponsored by the Legislature's corporations committee — which propose a couple of options for reducing city and town councils' ability to review proposed developments outside of city limits. HB 13 is described as an act "repealing and removing certain extraterritorial jurisdiction

asserted by municipalities" while HB 14 is described as "restricting extraterritorial jurisdiction asserted by a municipality."

"Ideally, we would like the first form of the two to be passed," Agar said. "We had some bumps with the county commissioners, so we have to sit down and work together. We're trying to make the statement that this is an issue that needs to be addressed. So there are two options out there."

Calling it the "800-pound gorilla in the room," Coe used his few minutes to talk about the school funding model.

'Wyoming has a problem with its revenue sources. As revenue chairman, I've been beating the drum, trying to bring people's attention to the fact that 70 percent of our revenue in Wyoming is derived from the mineral industry.'

Ray Peterson
Senator

Northrup also spoke briefly on education, including building and maintenance projects.

"With facilities, we're going to go ahead and take care of what we got," Northrup said. "We've built \$3.4 billion worth of buildings in this state in education since 2004. We're going to take care of them, we're going to find the money somehow to take care of those buildings."

As for new construction, Northrup said there are a number of factors standing in the way.

"There are people who would like to have a new building, and already have the plans drawn up," Northrup explained. "The problem is inflation always infringes on those plans. As you guys know, say you're

building a new city hall, if you have a projected cost of \$20 million and you wait three years, inflation is eating on you all the time. But we definitely need to take care of the buildings that we have, and go from there."

Laursen spoke, among other issues, on an upcoming vote on a proposed property tax increase, as well as a tax on services.

"Another one we decided to wait on was taxes on services," Laursen said. "That would include your lawyer fees, doctor fees, all of that. Labor, hairdresser, dog groomer, all of that. So we'll see where that goes."

The last legislator to speak at the dinner was Peterson, who touched on the state's dependence on minerals.

"Wyoming has a problem with its revenue sources," Peterson said. "As revenue chairman, I've been beating the drum, trying to bring people's attention to the fact that 70 percent of our revenue in Wyoming is derived from the mineral industry. ... So then we scratch our heads and say 'What's going on with this boom and bust cycle?' We're so dependent on minerals, that when oil, gas and coal goes down, we start panicking. The rest of the world seems to be doing fine, and we're struggling."

Peterson said the only way the state will be able to address those issues is to make efforts to improve it.

"That problem, the 70 percent dependency, looms over our heads, and we have got to somehow address that," he said. "Sales tax is dying, there's no ands ifs or buts about it. Internet sales are killing our sales tax."

The Legislature passed a bill last year intended to enforce the state's sales tax on internet purchases, but that's expected to be challenged in court.

"If that goes by the wayside and continues to decline, we're going to have to make that money up somewhere, either higher property taxes, or state income taxes. It will have to be replaced by something," Peterson said. "As a revenue committee, we're going to be looking at that, how we can get that 70 percent [lower] and asking the citizens to step up a little bit more."

The Wyoming Legislature's 2018 Budget Session convenes Monday, Feb. 12, in Cheyenne.

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Sunday
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31° 11°

Monday
Mostly cloudy
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Weekly Almanac

Powell for the 7-day period ending Tuesday

TEMPERATURES

High/Low.....39°/9°
Normal high/low.....33°/7°
Average temperature.....28.6°
Normal average temperature.....19.8°

PRECIPITATION

Total for the week.....0.00"
Month to date.....0.00"
Normal month to date.....0.06"
Year to date.....0.00"
Snowfall for the week.....0.0"
Snowfall month to date.....0.0"
Snowfall season to date.....6.7"

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Sunrise/Sunset.....7:51am/4:55pm
Moonrise/Moonset.....2:57am/1:27pm

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Casper	33/29/s	Greybull	24/19/pc	Rawlins	35/28/pc		
Cheyenne	38/27/s	Jeffrey City	30/24/pc	Rock Springs	37/27/pc		
Gillette	29/24/pc	Kirby	29/18/c	Shoshoni	29/21/pc		

The Nation		Today		Today		Today	
City	Hi/Lo/W	City	Hi/Lo/W	City	Hi/Lo/W	City	Hi/Lo/W
Atlanta	60/54/c	Houston	70/35/t	Louisville	64/42/r		
Boston	48/44/pc	Indianapolis	59/30/r	Miami	80/71/c		
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Rock removal project west of Cody shuts down

WORK TO RESUME IN MARCH, COMPLETION DATE SET FOR MAY 31

A \$1.68 million rockfall mitigation project west of Cody has shut down for the winter.

"The suspension of work is based on current weather conditions," said Todd Frost of Cody, Wyoming Department of Transportation resident engineer.

The project involves removing more than 10,000 cubic yards of rock above the highway, and includes removal of loose rock through scaling, and installation of rock bolts and rockfall barriers.

The work is taking place between mileposts 44.39 and

45.37, which begins about a mile west of the long tunnel on U.S. 14/16/20 and ends at the long tunnel.

The prime contractor on the project is Wilson Brothers Construction of Cowley.

Frost said the contractor has moved traffic off the detour at

milepost 44.40, and striping and sign placement were completed Tuesday.

"... Traffic delays will end until March when project work resumes," Frost said. "The 30 mph speed limit at this location will remain in effect through the winter."

The contract completion date is May 31.

HIGH SNOWMELT PREDICTED FOR REGION THIS SPRING

It could be a relatively wet winter and spring.

Bureau of Reclamation officials are predicting that a higher-than-normal amount of runoff from melting snow will flow into the region's reservoirs between April through July.

During those months, bureau officials are forecasting that around 950,000 acre-feet of water will flow into the Buffalo Bill Reservoir west of Cody. That's 35 percent above the 30-year average of 704,400 af.

It's a similar story at Big Horn Lake, east of Lovell, where the Bureau of Reclamation expects the Big Horn River to deposit nearly 1.67 million acre-feet of snowmelt. That's 43 percent higher than the average at

the lake, which is also known as Yellowtail Reservoir.

Meanwhile, some 900,000 acre-feet of melted snow is forecast at Boysen Reservoir outside of Shoshoni, up 56 percent from the average.

Bureau of Reclamation officials announced last month that they're releasing more water than normal in the Wind and Big Horn Rivers downstream of Boysen Dam and into the Shoshone River below Buffalo Bill Dam.

"These water operations are needed to manage reservoir levels and will have the added benefit of increased power generation, while still appropriately managing for this coming season's irrigation water sup-

ply," said the bureau's Wyoming area manager, Charlie Ronca, in a statement.

Bureau managers say record inflows into the two reservoirs last spring led to a "very good" amount of storage in the fall.

In addition managers said the fall inflows to the reservoirs have been the highest amounts recorded in the last 30 years.

The release from Boysen Reservoir will be approximately 1,250 cubic feet per second (cfs) this winter (up by about 300 cfs), while the release from Buffalo Bill Reservoir is expected to be set at approximately 500 cfs (about 150 cfs more than normal).

Reservoir releases will be adjusted as necessary in the spring depending on updated inflow forecasts.

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DIGEST

Army veteran joins police department

BY CJ BAKER
Tribune Editor

The Powell Police Department's newest recruit brings some policing experience to the job — albeit somewhat different experience picked up on another continent.

James Morgan, a U.S. Army veteran, was sworn in as a Powell officer at a Wednesday ceremony at City Hall.

Morgan is originally from Jacksonville, Florida, and attended high school in New Jersey before serving eight years in the Army. The 28-year-old was stationed in various locations, including one tour of duty in Afghanistan, and worked with the military police.

"There are similarities, but a lot of differences," Morgan said of being an MP versus being a traditional police officer. The military policing did involve the same type of day-to-day work of dealing with injustices and wrongdoing and "kind of shed the light that I needed," he said.

"I've always kind of wanted to work in law enforcement," Morgan said. "Life just kind of happened and got in the way."

Morgan arrived in Cody a couple years ago and worked at both Wells Fargo and Bank of the West, "but since we've moved out here I've been applying for law enforcement agencies," he said. "It just never



New Powell Police Officer James Morgan is sworn in by Mayor John Wetzel (at left) while Powell Police Chief Roy Eckerdt looks on during a Jan. 3 ceremony at City Hall. Tribune photo by CJ Baker

really happened until now, so I'm happy that I've gotten the opportunity."

Settling in Wyoming was never part of the plan.

When Morgan got out of the military in 2015, he and his wife, a traveling nurse, moved to Cody with the thought that they would eventually head to Arizona and parts of the West Coast.

However, "no sooner did we experience Yellowstone and Grand Teton, that scenic, nature, beauty-type thing, plus the people — I mean, the people in the area are just the nicest we've ever met — ... we said, 'Why go anywhere else?'" Morgan recalled. He said they "both fell in love with the place."

Morgan said the hunting

opportunities, for birds in particular, is a nice "bonus." Since coming to Park County a couple years ago, he said he's spent a lot of time in Powell, in part to hunt.

Some day, Morgan hopes to own some farmland.

"I think this area is a good starting point, and I think this is a great career to kind of work towards that," he said.

WEATHER REPORT

Date	High	Low	Precip.
01.03	20.4	-2.7	.00
01.04	26.1	5.9	.00
01.05	31.9	13.7	.00
01.06	36.4	15.1	.00
01.07	37.5	19.8	.00
01.08	34.4	19.7	.00
01.09	37.8	23.5	.00

(Information provided by Powell-weather.net and Weather Underground.)

NEW FACES

- Desirae Gams and Dylan Nitro Alley of Cody are parents of a baby boy, Henry Rae Gams, who was born on Sunday, Dec. 31, 2017. Henry was born at home at 6 p.m. with a weight of 7 pounds, 7 ounces. Grandparents are Mike Gams of Cowley and Jerry and Amy Muller of Cody. Henry's great-grandparents are John and Sylvia Gams of Cowley, Linda and the late Gary Cline of Lovell, Monte and Kelly Muller of Cowley and Zachary Alley of Denver. Great-great grandparents are Hermina Gams of Lovell, Patricia Cline of Powell, and Joyce and the late George Alley of Denver.

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POLICE REPORT

People arrested are presumed to be innocent and any listed charges are only allegations.

DECEMBER 19

- 10:45 a.m. Two dogs were reportedly being kept outside in a kennel on East Second Street. The community service officer spoke to the owner, who advised they would get city tags and would take the dogs inside.
- 1:43 p.m. A battery charger found at North Clark/East Fifth streets was placed in lost and found.
- 4:43 p.m. Alexia Guerrero, 19, and Kyle Espinoza, 18, both of Powell, were arrested on active warrants on West Coulter Avenue. Guerrero was also cited for possession of a controlled substance (marijuana).
- 7:21 p.m. A person on Avenue G reported being bitten by a dog; the case was placed under investigation.

DECEMBER 20

- 2:41 a.m. An officer noticed headlights still on and a vehicle running on East South Street and contacted the owner, who turned the vehicle off and secured it.

DECEMBER 21

- No time listed. Someone was re-

portedly working on South Absaroka Street and driving a vehicle with a Montana registration. The driver of the vehicle advised he was borrowing a vehicle from relatives in Montana while his vehicle was broken down.

- 12:51 p.m. An officer responded to a report of a female on North Cheyenne Street who is in the process of getting a protection order from her ex-husband and he was harassing her at work. The officer trespassed the male from the business.

- 2:23 p.m. A child on South Jones Street was reportedly bitten in the face by a dog. The dog's owner opted to euthanize the dog and have it tested for rabies. The child was treated at the emergency room and released.

- 2:44 p.m. A landlord reported that people were living in a trailer on North Ingalls Street that was supposed to be vacated. The residents said they had until noon the following day to be out, and they were advised if they were not gone, they would be charged with trespassing.

- 9:49 p.m. Police responded to a domestic incident on South Jones Street where the male subject advised he would stay at a relative's residence for the night.

DECEMBER 22

- 12:08 a.m. A suspicious vehicle was reportedly parked in the middle of the street at East Seventh/North Absaroka streets, and the car then drove off. An officer contacted the driver of the car, who was playing Pokémon Go.

- 12:15 p.m. Officers investigated a report of a robbery the previous night on South Douglas Street.

- 2 p.m. Officers responded to suspicious activity reported on East Coulter Avenue.

- 9:11 p.m. Officers began investigating a theft reported on North Bent Street.

DECEMBER 23

- 10:02 a.m. Officers checked the area of East Madison Street after receiving a report of suspicious activity around a residence.

- 12:02 p.m. Officers investigated a report of a dog bite that occurred on North Ingalls Street.

- 1:28 p.m. Harassment was reported on South Absaroka Street/East Coulter Avenue. The reporting party was advised to block the other party on Facebook and phones. An officer attempted to contact the reporting party but was unable to do so.

- 7:39 p.m. A domestic situation was reported on Hamilton Way. While taking the report, dispatch was advised the other party was leaving and an officer was not needed. Dispatch stayed on the phone with the reporting caller while the other party gathered their belongings. The caller reiterated officers were not needed, but advised they would call back if further help was needed.

- 8:16 p.m. Suspicious activity for a vehicle abandoned in a parking lot at West Coulter Avenue/South Edmonds Street was reported. Officers contacted the owner, who advised they would have the vehicle towed in the morning.

DECEMBER 24

- 3:18 p.m. A caller on North Hamilton Street reported a black and white dog went into a yard and attacked their dog. The resident chased the dog out of their yard. A responding officer was unable to locate the dog.

DECEMBER 25

- 1:54 p.m. An officer checked on

a parked vehicle at East Coulter Avenue/Panther Boulevard and reported it was a woman in the back seat feeding her baby.

- 5:37 p.m. Dispatch received a report of an older silver Suburban driving very fast and all over the road on East Coulter Avenue. Officers stopped the vehicle at Coulter Avenue/South Edmonds Street, where the driver received a citation for speeding. The driver also received warnings for failure to use left and right turn signals when changing lanes and failure to display a driver's license.

DECEMBER 26

- 2:14 p.m. A money/credit card holder was reportedly lost in the Powell area. The holder was described as black leather, credit card size, with a money clip on the outside.

- 3:04 p.m. Police are investigating a report of vandalism that occurred on West Seventh Street.

- 3:45 p.m. An officer responded to a report of two railroad cars that were off the tracks and sliding toward a building at West Coulter Avenue/South Fair Street. The responding officer advised it was only one car and the appropriate agency and personnel had been notified.

- 8:19 p.m. A domestic disturbance was reported on North Day Street. Responding officers spoke with both parties involved and they calmed down.

DECEMBER 27

- 9:15 a.m. A female on East Coulter Avenue was reportedly seen abusing her dog and kicking it when she was putting it into a vehicle. The community service officer contacted the female, who advised she had been putting the dog in the car when the dog went to nip at her and she kicked at it. The female didn't make contact with the dog and everything appeared to be OK.

- 4:48 p.m. Dispatch received a complaint of a vehicle that continually is driven too fast and fishtails around corners at North Cheyenne/West Fourth streets. Officers contacted the parent of the subject driving the vehicle and the parent advised they would speak with their child regarding the complaint.

- 4:56 p.m. A traffic stop at West Third/North Douglas streets resulted in the arrest of Kyle Espinoza, 18, of Powell, on suspicion of possession of a controlled substance (marijuana) and driving while under suspension.

- 10:17 p.m. Officers responded to a report of a male subject on South Bent Street who was highly intoxicated, but the male was gone upon their arrival.

DECEMBER 28

- 12:19 p.m. A white Lab that had been running at large on South Mountain View Street was caught. The community service officer placed the dog in the animal shelter and issued the owner a citation for animal running at large.

- 2:55 p.m. Two dogs on North Bernard Street reportedly bark all day long, every day. The community service officer parked near the location of the dogs and advised they were quiet at that time, but there was a dog across the alley barking. One dog did eventually start barking, and the owners were contacted about the issue.

- 4:55 p.m. A white and pink wallet checkbook with butterflies was reported lost on South Division

Street.

DECEMBER 29

- 9:11 a.m. A dog was reportedly in the cab of a pickup on North Douglas Street and the vehicle was not running. The officer advised the owner came out and stated they had only been there an hour. The dog looked happy, healthy and warm.

- 10:07 a.m. Dogs were reportedly barking on North Absaroka Street. The resident said his neighbor's dogs bark two to four times when they want to go back inside the house. The barking wakes the reporting party and disturbs their peace. After a lengthy conversation, the community service officer said she will call the owner to help resolve the issue. She spoke with the dog's owner and advised them of the call. They said the dogs bark maybe twice to be let inside. The owner received a warning for failure to obtain dog licenses.

- 11:34 a.m. Officers attempted to serve a warrant on an individual on East Jefferson Street.

- 2:48 p.m. A house key with a round hoop on it was found on North Bent Street.

- 6:54 p.m. A resident on South Jones Street reported harassment via phone calls and texts. An officer reported the phone calls ended when the caller was advised to not contact the resident anymore. The resident was reminded to call back if the calls return.

DECEMBER 30

- 5:59 p.m. Dogs had reportedly been outside all night with no shelter at West Second/North Bernard streets. A responding officer contacted the owner and reported the dogs were OK and did not appear to be in distress. The owner advised the dogs were not left out for a long period of time.

- 9:11 p.m. Officers responded to a domestic disturbance on North Bernard Street and spoke to both subjects.

DECEMBER 31

- 1:50 a.m. A traffic stop at South Gilbert/East Monroe streets resulted in the arrest of David Thomas Noble, 24.
- 2:22 p.m. Three to four dogs were reportedly on East Adams Street outside all day with no food or water. The officer advised the dogs were in the house and had been let outside to go to the bathroom.
- 2:56 p.m. Officers responded to a disturbance on Lodgepole Court and mediated with all subjects involved.
- 9:36 p.m. Fireworks were reported on West Second Street, but responding officers did not locate anyone setting off fireworks.

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- 1:18 a.m. Officers responded to a report of a person who had been drinking and was driving into Powell on West Coulter Avenue/Road 10, but they did not locate the described vehicle.
- 11 a.m. Property damage was reported on East Eighth Street, and responding officers determined it was a civil matter.
- 2:36 p.m. A report of damage to a vehicle on Avenue F was placed under investigation.
- 5:22 p.m. A resident on Avenue B reported hearing eight gunshots, but a responding officer did not locate where the shots occurred.
- 8:35 p.m. A driver at North Bent/East Third streets received a citation for exhibition of speed.

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Athlete romances not uncommon for Northwest College Trappers

Lady Trappers head coach Janis Beal laughs when asked if she plans to include “the possibility of finding a husband” as part of her recruiting strategy.

After all, Marlow and Zabriskie’s engagement isn’t the first love connection between players this season: Marlow’s teammate Domenica Gomes from Brazil and Trappers gunner Luc Lombardy from France announced their plans to tie the knot earlier this season. Beal said having two engagements in one year is rare, but play-

ers finding their soulmate with another NWC athlete is not as uncommon as one might think. A quick glance at the framed team photos on the wall of her office brings to mind quite a few pairings during her tenure.

“I’ve actually had a lot of players that have met [their future husbands] here throughout the years,” Beal said. “There’s quite a few that have played for me that ended up getting married to someone they’ve met here. I just look back at the pictures and I can see a bunch

of different ones.”

Beal knew she had something special when she recruited Marlow, and the sophomore has lived up to expectations on and off the court.

“She’s a great kid, hard worker,” Beal said. “She’s one of those just good people, always caring, always trying to help her teammates out — not just on the court, but off it as well. She’s one of those people who tries to figure out how she can serve other people. That’s a trait that you don’t always find.”

Beal said she and the rest of the team weren’t too surprised when Marlow and Zabriskie announced their plans to make it official.

“Her [Marlow] and Skyler had been dating since last year,

and I knew they were talking about the future,” Beal explained. “It was kind of more of a matter of when it was going to happen, rather than if.”

As for Marlow’s choice of a fiancée, Beal said her player found

a quality guy. “Skyler’s a kid who didn’t even play high school basketball a lot,” she said. “To be able to come here and play ball, he had to work for everything he got. That’s a good trait to have also.”

Wedding: ‘She makes me a better person’

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of her teammates,” he said. “I thought she was really cute. I do remember being in the cafeteria and telling a friend ‘Man, there’s something about Kira, there’s something about her that I really like.’ And that was before we had ever hung out.”

A bit of a loner by his own admission, the former Trapper would make sure to be around her in social situations.

“The kind of guy I am, I keep to myself a lot, but I actually really wanted to get to know her,” Zabriskie said. “If I knew she was hanging out in someone else’s room and there were a couple of friends over there, I would always go. She’s just such a sweet girl, always nice to everyone, always smiling. I loved it.”

Zabriskie eventually got Marlow’s phone number and the two began texting each other when they weren’t hanging out in a group or working events together. Their friendship grew.

And after the first kiss, all bets were off.

“All of a sudden, he just kissed me, and I was really surprised,” Marlow said. “It was like ‘Oh, wow, here we go.’ It just kind of went from there.”

The pair was inseparable from that moment on, up until Zabriskie’s graduation last May. With a year remaining at NWC, Marlow knew the couple would have to take the long-distance route, with Zabriskie continuing his education at Utah Valley University. The two made it work, and over the Christmas break, they decided to make it official. Marlow said she and Zabriskie had discussed the future and the possibility of marriage, but the proposal came as a surprise.

“It was two days before New Year’s Day, and we went out to dinner. It just seemed really normal, nothing out of the ordinary,” she said.

Ever the prankster, Zabriskie actually did a trial run before the dinner, much to Marlow’s chagrin.

“He actually fake-proposed to me like right before dinner,” Marlow said, shaking her head. “We were in this place we’d been to before, Christmas lights everywhere, and he says ‘Hey Kira, wait for a second,’ and gets down on one knee. And then he laughs and says, ‘Ah, just kidding, help me up.’ That made me super angry, I was like, ‘Are you kidding me?’”

But in fairness to Zabriskie, there was a reason for his subterfuge.

“The whole time I was taking her out to dinner and making her think I was going to propose to her then didn’t, my family was actually setting up for the real proposal,” he said.

After dinner, Zabriskie suggested a walk around his dad’s house, situated on a golf course. The pair walked around a pond in the dark to a gazebo.

“It was dark, and I couldn’t re-

ally see because I didn’t have my contacts in,” she said.

But as they walked up the steps, strings of lights suddenly illuminated the structure. Zabriskie, joined by his family who decorated the gazebo, proposed for real this time.

“It was cute; it was really sweet,” she said. “I cried, it was great.”

Did Marlow make her fiancé sweat a bit before answering, perhaps as payback for the prank earlier?

She laughed and shook her head. “As soon as the lights came on, I was like, ‘Yes, yes, yes!’”

The couple plans to wed in May at the LDS Temple in Idaho Falls, shortly after Marlow’s

graduation from NWC. She will then start classes that fall at UVU towards a degree in respiratory therapy, though whether she will continue playing basketball is up in the air.

As the couple prepares for the next chapter of their lives together, both agree they couldn’t imagine a life without the other in it.

“He’s just such a really, really sweet guy,” Marlow said of Zabriskie. “He’s a door-opener, a gentleman. He’s great that way. And he’s always there for me; he’s such a supportive person.”

“She makes me a better person,” Zabriskie said simply. “It sounds cliché to say things like ‘better half,’ but she actually is the better half of me.”



Lady Trapper Kira Marlow, a sophomore from Shelley, Idaho, battles for a shot against Eastern Wyoming College in a game earlier this season. Marlow had a memorable winter break, becoming engaged to former Trapper Skyler Zabriskie just before New Year’s. Tribune photos by Don Cogger



Former Trapper guard Skyler Zabriskie searches for an open teammate in a game at Cabre Gym last season. Now attending Utah Valley University, the business major popped the question to his girlfriend, Lady Trapper Kira Marlow, over the holiday break.

School: Search for replacement to open within district

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There’s also credibility that goes with the title, he said.

“This is also a position that does a tremendous amount of advocacy for us around the state, both with WDE [Wyoming Department of Education] and legislators, and the title carries more weight than curriculum coordinator,” Curtis said.

He said the title also carries weight on a person’s resume.

“Having just hired a superintendent, you can perhaps think back to when you were reading through lots of resumes, and the words ‘assistant superintendent’ I would guess probably stuck out to you more than if someone said, ‘I am a coordinator,’” Curtis told the board.

He also noted that the position was previously called assistant superintendent. The district changed the title in 2006, since Kost didn’t have his administra-

tion certification.

“The job is the same; it is the title that changes,” Kost said Wednesday. “And I really have never in my life cared about a title. All I care about is success for the students of our district. That is all I have ever honestly put number one.”

The school board voted unanimously to change the title to assistant superintendent.

Curtis said he was going to open the search internally on Wednesday, and candidates within the district may be interviewed as soon as the end of January.

“I would like to stay ahead of the curve if we possibly can,” Curtis said.

If a suitable candidate from within the district becomes assistant superintendent, “it creates a domino effect,” he said. If several people change positions, Curtis said he doesn’t want to be hiring a teacher or administra-

tor in late April or early May.

“I want to get most of this hopefully concluded before the hiring season kind of starts to fizzle,” Curtis said.

The Powell school board also thanked Kost for his years of service.

“I know you’ll be missed around here, but I think you’re going to be missed probably more on the sidelines at the football games,” said Chairman Greg Borchert, noting Kost’s many years as a statistician for the Panther football team.

“I hate to see you go,” Borchert told Kost. “But I understand it’s well-deserved, too.”

The school board also accepted the retirements of Pauline McAdam, head cook at PHS with 26 years of service, and Barbara Wimmeler, the head custodian at Parkside Elementary School who’s been with the district for 17 years.

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Lady Trapper Tala Amua-Tuisavura goes up for a shot against Basketball Elite on Saturday at Cabre Gym. NWC cruised past the team of alumni all-stars, 86-59. Tribune photo by Don Cogger



Lady Trappers claim first win on new floor

BY BREANNE THIEL
Tribune Sports Writer

The Northwest College women's basketball team christened the newly refinished Cabre Gym floor with an 86-59 victory over the Basketball Elite All-Star Alumni team on Saturday.

The gym floor was refinished between the fall and spring semesters due to the sealant on the floor peeling away in some locations; that made the surface hard to play on because of the unevenness.

The game on Saturday was

scheduled to take the place of a canceled game earlier this season, and head coach Janis Beal said it was beneficial for the Lady Trappers as they head into the conference/regional portion of their season. NWC opened conference play Wednesday against Western Wyoming Community College.

The Lady Trappers had four players score in double digits against the Basketball Elite All-Star Alumni, led by Shelby Wardell with 14 points and Kira Marlow with 13. Tala Amua-Tuisavura and Charri McArthur each scored 12.

All 12 of McArthur's points were from behind the 3-point arc, while Wardell netted four 3-pointers as well.

As a team, NWC shot 60.9 percent from the 3-point line, 57.7 percent from the field overall and 66.7 percent from the free throw line. The Lady Trappers finished with a total of 20 assists and 16 steals.

Beal thanked the players on the Basketball Elite team for traveling and playing in the game.

The Lady Trappers will host Central Wyoming College on Saturday at 2 p.m.

Lady Panther JV basketball wins two in Cowley tourney

FIRST CONTESTS IN 24 DAYS

BY BREANNE THIEL
Tribune Sports Writer

Returning to action after the winter break, the Lady Panther junior varsity basketball team beat both Wind River and the Rocky Mountain JV to go 2-0 at a competition in Cowley.

"We were able to pick up two wins at the Big Horn Basin Tournament last weekend with a 26-21 victory over Wind River and a 35-30 win over Rocky Mountain," said JV coach Troy Hildebrand. "The 24 day lay-off between games definitely showed in the first game as we struggled early to get back up to game speed and finish our shots around the basket."

POWELL 26, WIND RIVER 21

After the first quarter, the Lady Panthers trailed 6-4, but they built a five-point cushion in the second and maintained it throughout the rest of the game.

"I was really pleased with our post play as Devon Curtis scored 10 points in just two quarters of work and Dacean Thomas added three from inside to account for half of our points," said Hildebrand, adding "Sidney O'Brien was a key component with a number of assists to those two within our offense."

Michele Wagner added six

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Boys JV better team than record shows

PHS SPLITS GAMES AT TOURNAMENT

BY BREANNE THIEL
Tribune Sports Writer

The Powell High School junior varsity boys basketball team played in two games at the Big Horn Basin Classic in Worland over the weekend, beating Ten Sleep 52-21 and losing to Worland 38-35.

POWELL 52, TEN SLEEP 21

"We played well," JV coach Waleryan Wisniewski said of the Panthers' win over Ten Sleep, adding that everyone on the team got some playing time.

Jesse Brown scored 13 points, Colin Queen had nine, Dalton Woodward finished with eight and Aidan Jacobsen had seven. Dylan Preator netted six points, Noah Faxon sank four, Cameron Wentz had three and Ethan Asher scored two.

"We were able to work on some things, clean some things up which I think helped us because they gained some confidence and saw some success," Wisniewski said.

WORLAND 38, POWELL 35

Playing against the hosting Warriors, coach Wisniewski said the Panthers hustled and "had multiple opportunities to win, [but] we just couldn't capitalize."

Woodward led with nine points, Jacobsen had seven and both Faxon and Carter Olsen scored six.

"Can't fault the kids' effort, they battled hard all week," Wisniewski said.

The Panther JV team now has an overall record of one win and four losses, "but we're a pretty good 1-4 team," stressed Wisniewski.

Next up is a home game against Douglas at 3 p.m. Saturday.

NYCKALAS HARVEY TO JOIN MISSOURI VALLEY COLLEGE MEN'S VOLLEYBALL PROGRAM



Northwest College student assistant Nyckalas Harvey receives a hug from Lady Trapper Ashley Uffelman during Sophomore Night festivities in October. Harvey will fulfill his dream of playing collegiate volleyball this spring at Missouri Valley College. Tribune photo by Don Cogger

Lady Trappers student assistant moves from coach to player

BY DON COGGER
Tribune Sports/News Editor

In a world where kids are often defined by the sports and activities in which they participate, finding one's place can be a difficult task.

For Lovell native Nyckalas Harvey, the task was even greater, as his chosen sport wasn't readily available for his gender.

While most kids his age were gravitating toward football, baseball and basketball, Harvey chose a different path, aided in no small part by what proved to be a fortuitous gift.

"I got a volleyball one year for Christmas," Harvey said. "I think that's what started it all. I started going to every volleyball game I could. We would come over to Northwest [College] and watch Coach

[Shaun] Pohlman's team, and I would watch volleyball on TV all the time. I was eating and sleeping volleyball."

That obsession has finally paid off: Harvey, an NWC sophomore and a student assistant for the Lady Trappers the past two seasons, will trade in his coaching garb for a jersey this spring, as he suits up for the men's volleyball team at Missouri Valley College.

"It makes me really happy to know that I can put on that jersey, and that I'm not just representing myself, but all the people that have made sacrifices for me," Harvey said of his opportunity to

play. "Coach Pohlman, my folks, my family — I want to put a picture out there for anyone from small towns like Lovell that even if opportunities are scarce, if you work hard enough, anything is possible if you put your mind to it."

FINDING A PASSION, CHASING A DREAM

The passion for volleyball was one thing; having the opportunity to pursue it was another entirely. Aside from the occasional pick-up game in PE class, there weren't a lot of chances for Harvey to develop his game. He tried to volunteer with the school teams, but his inquiries fell on deaf ears.

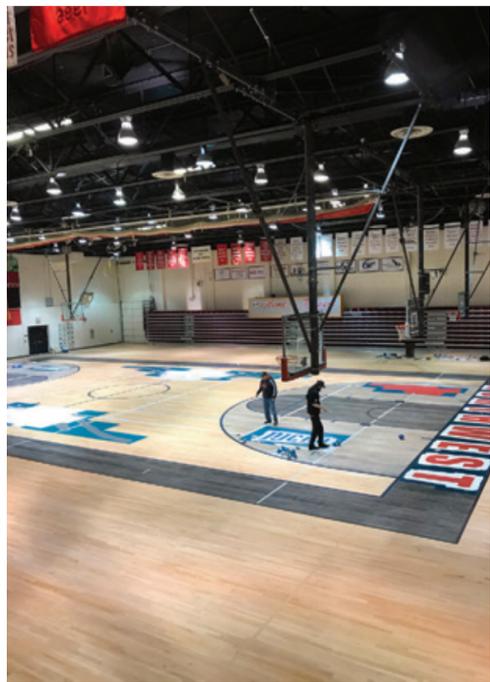
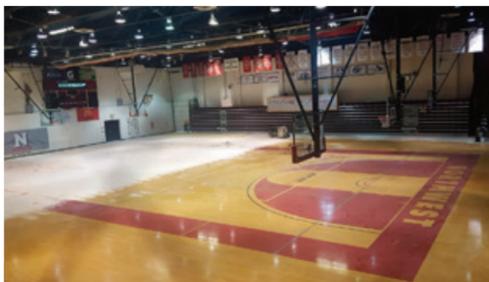
"I tried super hard to learn the game some more, but the head coach at the time wasn't willing to do that," Harvey said of volunteering. "It was really sad, actually."

After graduating Lovell High School in 2016, Harvey set his sights on college, hoping to become involved with volleyball in some capacity. He was considering a couple of four-year institutions out of state, when an opportunity presented itself just up the road.

"I planned on going to Texas A&M, or something big like that," Harvey explained. "That was when Shaun Pohlman

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NORTHWEST COLLEGE CABRE GYM



Tribune photo by Breanne Thiel

A new year has brought a new floor for Northwest College's Cabre Gym. Between the fall and spring semesters, the Cabre Gym floor received a facelift. The old sealant and design were sanded off and refinished with a brand new design and look. The old floor had sections where the top coating was peeling off, making the surface uneven and hard to play basketball on. On Saturday, the Lady Trappers were the first to compete on the new floor, picking up an 86-59 victory over the Basketball Elite All-Star team. The photo sequence at left shows the process used to refinish the floor of Northwest College's Cabre Gym.

Photos courtesy NWC women's head basketball coach Janis Beal

NWC Harvey: It's a long way from home, but I'm ready for the journey

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contacted me and asked if I wanted to help him coach at NWC."

Pohlman heard of Harvey's passion for volleyball through one of his former players, and found the young man's story mirrored his own.

"We were looking for some help; our budget [at NWC] had just been cut," Pohlman said. "I was told by someone who knew Nyckalas that he was really committed — he'll be reliable, trustworthy, dedicated to the sport. For me, what more could I ask for?"

As Pohlman and Harvey's friendship grew, Harvey approached the coach about helping him develop his skills as a player, with an eye toward one day competing at the collegiate level.

"He asked if I would provide personal lessons, and he would pay me money," Pohlman said, chuckling at the memory. "I was like, 'Yeah, you don't need to pay me money.' But that's kind of a testament to him; he didn't expect anything to be handed to him for free. He really dedicated himself at a very, very high level; I'd say more than some of the players we had on our team."

Pohlman said Harvey was an integral part of the Lady Trappers' success the past two seasons, and knew the assistant would do whatever he could to make the team better.

As he does with other student assistants, Pohlman told Harvey that "there are going to be days where you're being used as a tool, without a whole lot of thanks. I try to turn people off from the position, because I don't want to get into the trenches with them and have them back out," Pohlman explained. "Nyck never batted an eye — he went above and beyond what was expected of him, and that allowed me to do my job better."



Northwest College student assistant Nyckalas Harvey (center) cheers on the NWC men's basketball team at a recent game, along with members of the Lady Trappers volleyball team. Harvey served as an assistant to NWC volleyball head coach Shaun Pohlman the past two seasons. Tribune photo by Don Cogger

top coaches in the NJCAA — developed Harvey's talent and earned him a shot with one of the top collegiate men's volleyball programs in the country.

"It's kind of weird that at one point I wanted to play volleyball in college so bad that I was willing to pay for it," he said, referring to a thought he had of going from NWC to a club team at Utah State. "Now it's like I'm going to get paid to play for a team, which is super fun."

A quick Google search of the Missouri Valley College men's volleyball program tells the tale: This isn't a club team or part of a co-ed rec league. The Vikings finished last season ranked sixth in the nation, while making their first appearance in the NAIA National Invitational. Harvey knows going in his work is cut out for him, but said he's prepared for the challenge.

"I'm super excited now, because I get

to go live my dream, not only for me, but also for Coach Pohlman," Harvey said. "He worked so hard to get me where I am. He helped me grow, not only in the game of volleyball, but in life. I know that no matter what I come across now, because I was a part of Trapper volleyball program, I can handle anything that comes my way. Once a Trapper, always a Trapper."

CLOSING ONE DOOR, OPENING ANOTHER

Despite his dedication to NWC, Harvey will be unable to graduate with his class in May; he's transferring to Missouri Valley this spring semester to be ready for the start of volleyball season.

"The volleyball season begins in the spring, and my first game is like 15 days after I get there," he explained. "I technically have four years of eligibility, so I can enter as a freshman and play all four years."

Harvey will be leaving NWC at the same time as his mentor, as Pohlman was named head coach at Lewis-Clark State College late last month. Though

he'll most likely have his pick of assistants at his new gig, Pohlman said Harvey will be hard to replace.

"To have someone who believes in you at such a deep level despite not getting anything in return in the immediate sense, that's a hard thing not to miss," Pohlman said. "Just that belief and that faith in me as a person and a coach — I know 100 percent that guy's got my back — that's a tough thing to have to say goodbye to."

Asked what he'll miss the most about NWC, Harvey said the answer is simple.

"I'll miss the team the most," he said. "They were really like family to me; they're what kept me there, kept me going. I'll miss the family and the culture that was available to everyone. I'm excited [about Missouri Valley] but nervous. It's a long way from home, but I'm really ready to take on the journey."

Harvey said he's amazed at the direction his life has taken, set in motion by a simple gift years ago.

"I still have that volleyball," he said, laughing.

PREPARING FOR THE NEXT STEP

Pohlman knows the road ahead for Harvey will be daunting at times, but he's confident his protege has the right skills and mindset.

"He's not delusional, he's coming in at the bottom of the totem pole and he knows it," Pohlman said of Harvey. "They [Missouri Valley College] are a very strong program, and he can advance his skills and abilities very, very quickly. If he follows his passion and lets his passion take over, I think he can go far. He's got the kind of dedication I don't think most people have."

'Nyck never batted an eye — he went above and beyond what was expected of him, and that allowed me to do my job better.'

*Shaun Pohlman
Head coach*

Working with Pohlman — one of the

UNIVERSITY OF WYOMING

Josh Allen accepts invite to 2018 Senior Bowl

Former University of Wyoming quarterback Josh Allen has accepted an invitation to play in this year's Senior Bowl.

The game, to be played in Mobile, Alabama, on Saturday, Jan. 27, will be televised on NFL Network and is scheduled to kick off at 12:30 p.m. ESPN and NFL Network will broadcast practices from the Senior Bowl week, which will run Jan. 23-27.

Allen declared for the 2018 NFL Draft immediately after leading the Wyoming Cowboys to a 37-14 victory in the 2017 Famous Idaho Potato Bowl. He is rated as one of this year's top quarterback prospects by numerous NFL draft experts. Allen is a junior, but is eligible to play in the Senior Bowl because he completed his degree in social science from UW in December.

A native of Firebaugh, California, Allen led the Cowboys to an 8-5 record in 2017. As a redshirt sophomore in 2016, he guided the Cowboys to an 8-6 record, a spot in the 2016 Mountain West Conference Championship Game and a berth in the 2016 San Diego County Credit Union Poinsettia Bowl. He also led the Cowboys to wins over two Top 25 teams that season.

Allen was named to numerous college football award watch lists this past season, including the Davey O'Brien Award Watch List, Manning Award Watch List, Maxwell Award Watch List and Walter Camp Award Watch List.

Allen attended the Manning Passing Academy in the summer of 2017.



Powell High School sophomore Sabrina Shoopman fights for a rebound with opponents from Wind River during the Big Horn Basin Classic Tournament in Cowley on Friday. Tribune photo by Carla Wensky

PHS JV GBB:

Play at home on Saturday

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points, Gabby Harshman and Sabrina Shoopman each scored three and AnaMia Davila had one point.

"All of the girls did a nice job defensively which was the key to holding them to just 21 points," Hildebrand said.

POWELL 35, ROCKY MOUNTAIN JV 30

"Michele Wagner got us off to a great start in this one as she hit three 3-pointers in the first four minutes," Hildebrand said. "She finished the day with 12 points total."

Powell led 23-14 at the half and built that lead to 27-16 midway through the third period.

"Rocky made a nice run down the stretch to pull within three at 33-30 but Brea Terry iced the game for us with a layup in the closing minute," said Hildebrand. "[Terry] had her strongest game to date as a Panther with 14 points in just three quarters of work. It was nice to see her settle in and play so well."

Dacean Thomas had another solid game with five points. Sabrina Shoopman and Gabby Harshman each added 2.

Next up for the Lady Panther JV team is Douglas on Saturday at 3 p.m.

"We have a great challenge ahead of us this week with Douglas coming to town," said Hildebrand. "They have a very good JV team and we struggled against them in Buffalo before Christmas. It will be important to see how much we have improved against a quality opponent."

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Wyoming Veterans Memorial Park Foundation

January 23rd, 2018, 6PM
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PREP PERFORMER OF THE WEEK

Michele Wagner
Basketball



At the Big Horn Basin Classic basketball tournament in Cowley, Wagner sank four 3-pointers in the first game against Burlington and one in the game against Greybull.

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PREP PERFORMER OF THE WEEK

Brandon Thompson
Wrestling



Thompson placed sixth at the Tom LeProwse Wrestling Invitational in Bozeman in the 285-pound weight class. A total of 29 teams competed at the invite with 19 wrestlers competing in his weight class.

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Panthers freshman basketball begin 2-2 to start 2018

BY BREANNE THIEL
Tribune Sports Writer

The Powell High School freshman boys basketball team has split the four games played since returning from the winter break, beating both Cody and Lovell and losing to Buffalo and Worland.

on a high note, knocking off Lovell 51-45.

“Lovell played really good,” Stenlund said, pointing out that the Bulldogs had some players score that had not in the teams’ previous encounter.

Lengfelder scored 12 points, Mason Marchant had 11 and Jayden Marchant scored seven.

BUFFALO TOURNAMENT

The freshman Panthers competed in the Buffalo tournament Saturday, facing off against Worland, Buffalo and Lovell.

The first game of the tournament was against Worland, with Powell losing 53-45.

Mason Marchant scored 13 points, Ashton Brewer had eight points and Jayden Marchant had two 3-pointers.

“We came out kind of flat for both Worland and Buffalo,” said freshman coach Greg Stenlund.

Powell played Buffalo next, losing 62-38. Stenlund gave credit to the Buffalo team, saying, “they played a great game.”

“But we learned from that — that was the lesson, we just can’t come out and play flat; it just doesn’t work in basketball. You got to bring it every minute you’re in there,” Stenlund said.

Landon Lengfelder led the way for the Panthers, hitting five 3-pointers for the game.

The final game of the tournament came against Lovell where Powell finished the tournament

POWELL 69, CODY 30

Powell hosted Cody Monday night, coming away with a 69-30 victory.

“We played a pretty complete game,” Stenlund said.

Just about everyone on the roster contributed to the score sheet, with all but one Panther notching at least a point.

“It was fun,” Stenlund said of the number of players who put points on the board.

Mason Marchant had 14 points, Brewer had 10 and Lengfelder finished with 11. Zeke Frankenberry and Trevor Groves netted seven points apiece.

The Panthers had five different players hit a 3-pointer.

“Everybody stepped up. We played good solid D, just a real complete game; I was super pleased with how it went,” Stenlund said. “But our defense was good, they played aggressive.”

Next up for the Panther freshman team is to travel to Lovell on Tuesday, with tip off scheduled for 6:30 p.m.



Powell High School freshmen Jack Pool (No. 14), Landon Sessions (No. 24) and Zeke Frankenberry (No. 44) play in a zone defense during 69-30 home win over Cody on Monday night. Tribune photo by Breanne Thiel

Lady Panthers freshman resume season on the court



Powell High School freshman Rose Graft dribbles toward the key in a Monday night home game against Cody. The Lady Panthers battled to win 35-33 — the first time the Powell girls had beaten their Cody counterparts since seventh grade. Tribune photo by Breanne Thiel

BY BREANNE THIEL
Tribune Sports Writer

The Lady Panthers freshman basketball team lost to Worland, Buffalo and Thermopolis at a weekend tournament in Buffalo, but rebounded Monday with a win against Cody at home.

BUFFALO TOURNAMENT

At the Buffalo tournament, the Lady Panthers started with Worland, then played against the hosting school Buffalo and finally faced off against Thermopolis.

“While the Panthers came out strong at the opening tip of the game, they came up short in the last few minutes, losing 46-40 to a tough Worland team,” said freshman coach Chelsea Peek.

Hailee Hyde set a new career high in points with 18 and four rebounds. Cassidy Miner added eight points and four rebounds, Matti Larsen six points and five rebounds, and Teagan Lovelady and Madison Fields each added four points.

Against Buffalo, the Lady Panthers lost another close game, 28-24.

“After previously beating Buffalo in the Lovell tournament earlier in the season, the Panthers were unable to recover after a tough loss to Worland, falling short to Buffalo on their home floor,” Peek said.

Fields led the Panthers with seven points, Rose Graft contributed five points, Paige Johnson and Sydney Karst both added four points, Miner

netted three points and Larsen and Lovelady rounded out the scoring with two points each. Kaylee Stewart, Madison Lowery and Emery Terry all added rebounds.

The team’s last game of the tournament came against Thermopolis, losing 40-24.

“After falling short in their first two games, they were unable to recover to pull out a win in their final game,” Peek said. “While the Panthers struggled to get their shots to fall, they did out rebound Thermopolis 41-29.”

Johnson led the way with seven points and seven rebounds, Fields added four points and three rebounds, Karst four points and five rebounds, Lowery two points and six rebounds, Graft two points and five rebounds and Stewart finished with two points.

POWELL 35, CODY 33

The Lady Panthers rebounded Monday night and got back into the win column, edging out the Cody Fillies 35-33 at home.

“While the Panthers had a tough go at the Buffalo tournament, Saturday, they were able to clean things up, come together as a team and claim a tough win over a talented Cody Fillies team,” Peek said. “After several lead changes the Panthers came away with a 35-33 win.”

At halftime the Cody Fillies were up 23-19.

“I was extremely proud of how well our team played. They could have easily given up after getting themselves

down four points at halftime against this tough Cody team they have never beaten, but they continued to battle, listened to the adjustments we made at halftime and capitalized in the second half,” Peek said.

The Lady Panthers came out quickly in the second half to cut Cody’s lead to 23-21. After a several minute stalemate, Powell scored again to tie the game and, with 1:38 remaining in the third, the Lady Panthers held a 28-23 lead.

In the fourth quarter, Cody rallied to take a 33-30 lead with about five and half minutes left to play. However, those would be the Fillies’ last points scored in the game, as Powell battled back to win 35-33.

Johnson had a career high of 11 points and seven rebounds, Hyde scored 11 points and Graft and Fields each added four points.

Larsen’s three points came from a late 3-point basket that tied the game and Karst finished with two points.

Peek added that, while both teams battled tooth and nail offensively, Graft and Terry both had solid effort defensively.

“While we still have plenty of things we can clean up, I’m happy with the way the girls pulled together as team and got the win,” said Peek. “It was a team effort, a team win and everyone had a role that they stepped into last night and did what they had to do to get the win.”

The freshmen will next travel to Lovell on Tuesday for a game at 5 p.m.

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Request for bids

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS
Notice is hereby given that Northwest College will receive sealed bids until 2 P.M., local time, February 6th, 2018 at the Orendorf Administration Building, Room 106 at 231 West Sixth Street, Powell, Wyoming, for MATERIALS, LABOR, SERVICES, TRANSPORTATION & COMPLETE CONSTRUCTION OF JOHNSON FITNESS CENTER UPGRADES-PHASE 2. The Engineer’s opinion of probable construction cost ranges from \$600,000 to \$800,000. This work includes removal of the weight room ceiling and lighting, weight room ceiling finish work, and weight room HVAC duct modifications. HVAC upgrades to JFC offices and classrooms, HVAC upgrades to the JFC mechanical rooms, and finish work for offices, classrooms and hallway related to mechanical and fire sprinkler upgrades. Fire suppression system throughout the entire JFC facility including the gymnasium. Climbing wall construction in the gymnasium. All bids publicly opened and read aloud - date and time stated above. Mail or deliver to Northwest College. Northwest College will take no responsibility for delivery of bids through mail. Complete digital copies of the bidding documents are available at [HYPERLINK "http://www.questcdn.com"](http://www.questcdn.com) www.questcdn.com and at www.eaengineers.com under PROJECTS OUT TO BID. Submitting Contractors will be required to register with the website to download the bidding documents for \$20 by inputting Quest project #5491518 on the website’s Project search page. Please contact QuestCDN.com at 952-233-1632 or [HYPERLINK "mailto:info@questcdn.com"](mailto:info@questcdn.com) info@questcdn.com for assistance in free membership registration, downloading, and working with this digital project information. Optional paper copies of bidding documents are available at: Engineering Associates, 902 13th St., P.O. Box 1900, Cody, WY 82414 for \$100 non-refundable. Northwest College reserves the right to reject any and/or all bids and to waive any informalities if deemed in the best interest of the Owner. No bid may be considered unless accompanied by the required bid guarantee of 5% of the total bid amount which amount shall be forfeited if the bidder is awarded the Contract and

fails to enter into a Contract with the Owners. Successful bidder will be required to provide payment and performance bonds in an amount of at least 100% of awarded contract price. A Mandatory Pre-bid Conference is scheduled for 10 A.M., local time, on January 25th, 2018, at Physical Plant Office, 839 Road 9½, Powell, WY. Bidders are required to attend and participate in the conference. Failure to do so will result in disqualification of the bid which will be returned unopened to the Bidder.

Dated this 5th day of January, 2018.
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Defendants.)
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
A Petition for Order to Show Cause having been filed herein pursuant to Section 7-2-105 of the Wyoming Statutes, requesting that the Court set a time and place for hearing upon said Petition for the reason that Plaintiff is in possession of certain items of personal property and/or contraband which have been seized or delivered to the Powell Police Department, which property is now considered as being either lost, mislaid, abandoned and/or unclaimed, and/or the possession of which is unlawful, and as such, Plaintiff is seeking an entry of a Judgment of Forfeiture to allow for the forfeiture and sale at public auction, destruction and/or the transfer to the use of the Powell Police Department said items of personal property described in Exhibit “A” attached to said Petition;

IT IS THEREFORE HEREBY ORDERED that all interested parties shall appear at the Courtroom at the Park County Annex, 109 West 14th Street, Powell, Wyoming, on Tuesday, January 23, 2018, 11:00 o’clock a.m., then and there to show cause, if any, why this Court should not enter a judgment of forfeiture concerning the items of personal property described in Plaintiff’s Petition which is in possession of the City of Powell Police Department, which personal property has been lost, mislaid, abandoned, unclaimed, and/or the possession of which is unlawful, and further allowing the City of Powell Police Department to either forfeit and sell, destroy and/or transfer to the use of the City of Powell Police Department all of the subject seized property, as is more particularly described on Exhibit “A” of Plaintiff’s Petition.

The complete list of the subject property, Exhibit A, is available for review at the Clerk of Circuit Court, Park County Annex, 109 W. 14th Street, Powell, WY 82435, Powell Police Department or R. Scott Kath, Deputy City Attorney.

DATED this 5th day of January, 2018.
/s/ Bruce B. Waters /s/
CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE
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Vendor Name	Total
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ALDRICH LUMBER COMPANY	721.35
AMAZON/SYNCB	3,295.02
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AMPURE ELECTRONICS LLC	653.84
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BEARTOOTH ELECTRIC COOP	1,584.36
BLAIR’S MARKET	1,816.36
CDW-G, LLC	526.85
CENTRAL RESTAURANT PRODUCTS	4,360.90
CITY OF POWELL	55,091.77
COCA-COLA BOTTLING COMPANY HIGH COUNTRY	597.05
COMFORT INN/BUTTE	703.57
COSTCO	1,858.47
CXTEC	6,000.00
DEMCO INC.	995.60
DISCOVERY EDUCATION	7,980.00
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FOLLETT SCHOOL SOLUTIONS	2,496.25
FOOD SERVICES OF AMERICA	4,385.05
FRANZ FAMILY BAKERIES	979.75
FRONTLINE TECHNOLOGIES GROUP LLC	13,638.83
GARLAND LIGHT & POWER	1,073.91
GRAINGER	529.48
HAMPTON INN/BUFFALO	680.00
HAWKINS COMMERCIAL APPLIANCE	1,103.07
HEARTLAND PAPER COMPANY	5,696.57
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LA QUINTA/HELENA	650.00
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LONG BUILDING TECHNOLOGIES	2,471.93
MCGRAW HILL EDUCATION	15,664.25
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MONTANA-DAKOTA UTILITIES	9,282.34
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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

* Before a listing denotes there is a fee for the event

** After a listing indicates a class, event or presentation through Powell Valley Community Education. For more information or to register, call PVCE at 754-6469, stop by the office at 1397 Fort Drum Drive in the NWC Trapper West Village, or visit <https://register.asapconnected.com/Calendar3.aspx>

THURSDAY, JANUARY 11

- **BABY & TODDLER TIME** at 11 a.m. at the Powell Branch Library.
- **CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP** meets on the second Thursday of every month from 11 a.m. to noon in the Powell Valley Hospital Courtside Room, provided by the PVHC Social Services staff. For more information, call Douglas Sunderland at 754-1256.
- **NORTHWEST CIVIC ORCHESTRA:** Be part of a musical society. Membership is open to community members, college students, and high school students subject to the conductor's approval. Meets every Thursday from 6:30-9:30 p.m. through April 26, with a final performance on Saturday, April 28.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 12

- **NATIONAL LAW ENFORCEMENT** Appreciation Day event at 9 a.m. in the Yellowstone Building's conference area on the North-west College campus.
- **FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY** Book Sale from 1-3 p.m. in the basement of the Powell Branch Library.
- **OPEN ACOUSTIC JAM SESSION** from 6-9 p.m. every Friday evening at Gestalt Studios at the Polar Plant. Musicians of all skill levels are welcome. For more information, call 764-2389.
- ***MOUNTAIN LANDSCAPE PAINTING**, with artist Dana Zier of the Zier Gallery in Bridger, from 6-9 p.m. in the NWC Fagerberg Building, Room 71. Learning techniques for landscape painting before you go outdoors can really move your artistic skills forward. You will be inspired to go outdoors on your own and paint. Age 12 and older.**

SATURDAY, JANUARY 13

- **SKI RIDE**, a weekly Saturday shuttle bus service to the Sleeping Giant Ski Area, will leave from Mr. D's parking lot in Powell at 7:30 a.m. and return at about 5:30 p.m. The Powell Recreation District and Yellowstone Recreation Foundation are teaming up with local sponsors to offer the weekly ski ride for Powell skiers and snowboarders. The ski ride is scheduled to continue each Saturday through Feb. 24. For more information, call 754-5711.
- ***MOUNTAIN SPORTS PROGRAMS** at Sleeping Giant. Arrive by 9 a.m. to register and get rental equipment; programs start at 10 a.m. For more information, visit www.SkiSG.com or call 307-587-3125.
- **YELLOWSTONE WEAVERS AND SPINNERS** Guild will meet at the Garland Community Church at 9:30 a.m. After the meeting, there will be a show and tell and carry-in dish lunch. For more information, contact Bev at 202-0130.

MONDAY, JANUARY 15

- **NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS** in Park County School District No. 1.
- **BABY & TODDLER TIME** at 10:30 a.m. at the Powell Branch Library.
- **AFTER-SCHOOL HELP** from 3:30-5 p.m. at the Powell Branch Library. Retired teacher Maddi Van Epps is available to help students at all grade levels. Stop by the YA section — you don't have to sign up.
- **THE POWELL CITY COUNCIL** will meet at 6 p.m. in the Council Chamber at City Hall.
- ***ARDUINO 101:** Build customized electronics projects with an Arduino. Arduinos are low cost and easy to use microcontrollers. The class is from 5-6:30 p.m. at the Powell Makerspace. Ages 12 and older.**

TUESDAY, JANUARY 16

- **FREE PRESCHOOL CLASSES** for children ages 3 to 5 from 8:30-10 a.m. at the Support Services Building, 245 N. Everts St. in Powell. Also on Thursdays. The classes are provided by Park County School District No. 1.
- **STORY TIME** at 10:30 a.m. at the Powell Branch Library. Also on Wednesday morning.
- **LEGO CLUB** from 3:30-4:15 p.m. at the Powell Branch Library. Children can sign up to join this week's Lego building challenge. Kids 7 and under must be accompanied by an adult.
- **THE POLECAT RAMBLERS** Camping Club will have a potluck at 5 p.m. with a meeting to follow at Park County Weed and Pest on U.S. Highway 14-A. Bring your campground survey questionnaire. The public and guests are invited. Call Jeanette at 754-4564 or Linda at 754-9197.
- ***3D PRINTER SAFETY:** Learn the basics of 3D printing and how to safely operate a 3D printer. Class is from 6-8 p.m. at the Powell Makerspace. After completing the class, you will be certified to use the 3D printers at the Makerspace. Ages 10 and older.**

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 17

- **LITTLE TOTS CLASS** for children ages 1 and 2 from 10-11 a.m. at the Support Services Building, 245 N. Everts St. in Powell. The class is provided by Park County School District No. 1.
- **THE POWELL ROTARY CLUB** meets at noon on Wednesdays at the Nelson Foundation House, 550 College Drive.
- **AFTER-SCHOOL HELP** from 3:30-5 p.m. at the Powell Branch Library. Retired teacher Maddi Van Epps is available to help students at all grade levels. Stop by the YA section — you don't have to sign up.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 18

- **COFFEE WITH A COP** from 8-9 a.m. at the Powell Senior Citizens Center, 248 N. Gilbert St. All Powell residents are welcome to attend. Coffee with a Cop is held at the Powell Senior Center every third Thursday at 8 a.m. monthly. For more information, call Cathy Florian at 754-4223.
- **BABY AND TODDLER TIME** at 11 a.m. at the Powell Branch Library.
- **BLOOD DRIVE** at Trinity Bible Church, 535 S. Everts St. Time slots are from 1-6 p.m. There will be snacks, a movie, and over \$300 of prizes (including cash). People can sign up at <https://www.bloodhero.com/index.cfm?group=op&expand=753006&zc=82435> or by calling Sadie Hogan (307-272-5090) or Frank Roth (754-7063).
- **READ TO A DOG** from 3:30-4:30 p.m. at the Powell Branch Library.
- **MY WYOMING WEDDING EXPO** from 5-9 p.m. at Geysers on the Terrace in Cody. For more, call 307-899-5755.
- **THE POWELL BRANCH LIBRARY** is hosting a free program of technology training from 6:30-7:30 p.m. Several local businesses will volunteer their time to help answer any questions people may have about their cell phones, laptops, computers, or devices.
- ***BETWEEN EVERY TWO PINES:** Evening With an Arborist" program with Joshua Pomeroy from 5:30-6:30 p.m. at Gestalt Studios, 440 W. Park St. Pomeroy will talk about tree issues important to the area and answer people's questions about their trees. Free and open to the public, every third Thursday of the month.
- ***PAVLO PERFORMS** at 7:30 p.m. at the Wynona Thompson Auditorium in Cody. A blend of Greek, flamenco, Latin and even Balkan flavours, wrapped in contemporary pop. Tickets are \$20 for adults and \$10 for students; admission is free for kids 12 years old and under. Tickets available at Marquis Awards in Powell, Cody Chamber of Commerce, Treasured Memories or Accents Floral in Cody, or at the door. For more information, call 754-4061 or 307-527-6122.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 20

- **BRIDAL FAIR** from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Park County Fairgrounds. Goodie bags and prize drawings for attendees. This event is free to the public. For more information, call 754-8855 or visit www.parkcountyeventswy.com.
- **POWELL MAKERSPACE** hosts a free open house from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Come see what's new and learn more about the Makerspace, located at 328 E. Third St. (across from Powell Middle School).

SUNDAY, JANUARY 21

- **WOMEN AND ALLIES MARCH** from noon to 2 p.m. at Cody City Park. There will be speakers and music. Sponsored by Wyoming Rising - Northwest.
- ***BELA FLECK AND BROOKLYN RIDER** will perform at the Alberta Bair in Billings. Join Powell Valley Community Education for this night of music from 4-11 p.m. You must register by Jan. 15 to guarantee a seat. Meet in the parking lot of the NWC Yellowstone Building for transport to Billings. Ages 18 and older. For more information, visit www.nwc.edu/pvce.

God will meet your needs

One thing most people have in common is the concern for the future and whether or not there will be enough for us later on in our life. That is one area of life that has always been true through the ages. We know that because the Bible addresses this area in many different places.

It is human nature to be concerned about the future. We want to store up for ourselves what we think we might need in the future. In 2008, when the housing market crashed, many people found their life savings gone or severely lacking. It was a devastating time for many people in this country. Much of the United States felt the effects of that bad time. The part that made it especially hard was the fact that people had spent their whole lives putting money away for the future and all of a sudden it was gone.

In Matthew chapter six, Jesus encouraged the people then and us today that God sees our life and knows our need before we even ask. Matthew 6:25-34 (NKJV):

"Therefore I say to you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink; nor about your body, what you will put on. Is not life more than food and the body

more than clothing? Look at the birds of the air, for they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns; yet your heavenly father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? Which of you by worrying can add one cubit to his stature? So why do you worry about clothing?"

Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin; and yet I say to you that even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. Now if God so clothes the grass of the field, which today is, and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will He not much more clothe you, O you of little faith?

Therefore do not worry, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?' For after all these things the Gentiles seek? For your heavenly father knows that you need all these things. But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you. Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about its own things. Sufficient for the day is its own trouble."

Jesus tells us in this passage that we are absolutely important to God and he sees us and our situation. He will help us and pro-



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Faith Community Church

"Love God - Love Others" 1267 Road 18 (Hwy 294), Powell. Contact: Lee Meador, 754-3289, powellfaithcommunitychurch@gmail.com Church located 3 miles SW of Ralston, 1/2 mile N off 14A. Bible Study 9:30 am, Sunday Worship 10:45 am.

First Southern Baptist Church

Corner of Gilbert & Madison. 754-3990, Don Rushing, Pastor. Sunday school 9:45 am; Morning Worship 10:45 am; Sunday Prayer meeting 5pm & Evening worship 5:30 pm. Team Kid Tuesdays 3:30 - 5 pm.

First United Methodist Church

We love our neighbor at 2nd & Bernard Sts. 754-3160, Rev. Melinda Penry, pastor. www.powellfumc.org; Sunday worship: blended worship 9:30 am, small group studies 11 am. Coffee before and after morning service. All are welcome, all means all.

Garland Community Church of God

Garland, Shane Legler, pastor, 754-3775; 9:30 am Sun. School; 10:30 am Worship service; 7 pm Wed. Bible study & prayer. Located in the historic Garland schoolhouse. Everyone welcome.

Glad Tidings Assembly of God

Gilbert & 7th St. East, 754-2333, Mike Walsh, Pastor; Sunday School 9 am, Worship 10:30 am, (nursery provided), Wed., 7 pm, Unashamed Jr & Sr high youth meet.

Grace Point

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Harvest Community Church of the Nazarene

Pastor: Matt Tygart, 364 W. Park St. (behind Blair's); 754-4842. www.harvestcomchurch.net Sunday: Sunday School 9:30 am; Fellowship 10:30 am; Church service 11 am; Like us on Facebook: Harvest Community Church (HCC).

Heart Mtn Baptist Church

307-254-5040, call for location. Miles McNair, pastor. Independent, KJV, Baptist Church. Sunday school 10 am, Main worship 11 am & 6 pm. Wed. preaching & prayer, 7 pm. Nursery available. heartmountainbaptist.com.

Hope Lutheran (ELCA)

754-4040, corner of Cary St. & Ave. H, www.hopelutheranpowell.org, Pastor Patricia Callaghan, 9:30 am Sunday worship, Sunday school & fellowship following. 3rd Monday Women's Faith Bible Study, 7:30 pm, 3rd Tuesday Women's Grace Bible Study, 1:30 pm.

Immanuel Lutheran Church

(Lutheran Church Missouri Synod.) 754-3168, Rev. Lee Wisroth, Pastor, 675 Ave. D. Sunday Worship 9 am, Adult Bible Class & Sunday School 10:15 am, Holy Communion 1st & 3rd Sunday.

Jehovah's Witnesses

Cody- 2702 Cougar Ave. - Sunday, 9:30 am public meeting; 10:05 am Watchtower study; Thurs., 7:30 pm, congregation Bible study, 8 pm, ministry school, 8:30 pm, service meeting.

Living Hope Community Church

305 S. Everts St., Pastor Susan Legler, 754-7917, Sunday school 9 am, Sunday worship 10 am, Wednesday Bible Study 6:30 pm. www.LivingHopeChurchPowell.com

New Life Church

185 S. Tower Blvd.; Tim Morrow, Pastor, 754-0424; Sunday worship 8:30 & 11 am. Kid's Church & nursery available. Sunday School, 9:45 a.m. Wed. youth group 7 pm.

St. Barbara's Catholic Church

Fr. Phillip Wagner, 754-2480, 3rd & N. Absaroka; Sat. Evening Mass 5:45 pm, Sun. Mass 9 am, noon Latin Mass & 5 pm Mass on Sun., Daily Mass-Tues. Noon, Wed. 5:30 pm, Thur. & Fri. 7:30 am. Reconciliation 9am & 4pm on Saturdays.

St. John's Episcopal Church

Megan Nickles, priest: 754-4000, Ave. E & Mountain View. Morning services 10:30 am. Godly Play - Sunday school for children, ages 2-12, 10:30-11:30 am. Visitors welcome.

Seventh-day Adventist

1350 N. Gilbert; 754-2129 Saturday. Everyone welcome. Worship Service 9:30 am, Saturday, Sabbath School 11 am.

Trinity Bible Church

Don Thomas, pastor, 535 S. Everts, 754-2660 www.tbccwyo.com, reformedtbc@yahoo.com, 9 am Sunday School classes for all ages; 10:30 am Morning Worship Service; 5:30 pm Evening Worship Service. Contact the church for midweek home Bible studies. Free Grace Radio 88.1 FM.

United Pentecostal Church

John Sides, Pastor, 899-4120, 754-1693. Meeting at the intersection of the Powell Hwy & Nez Perce Dr.- 7 miles from Cody. Sunday Worship 10 am, Wed. services 7:30 pm.

Union Presbyterian Church

(PCUSA). Third & Bent, 754-2491. Rev. Jeff Baxter, pastor. Sundays: 9 am Sunday School/all ages; 10:30 am Worship; 11:30 am Coffee Hour; Holy Communion 1st Sunday of each month. Wednesdays: 6:00 pm Women's Bible Study. Scouting: Boy Scouts Monday @ 4, Tuesday @ 6 & Thursday @ 3. Transportation available; everyone welcome. unionpc@tctwest.net.

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(03-09CT)

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(02-05CT)
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(103-04ThursPT)
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(44-44W)

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(11/14tnfB)

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(04-04W)

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(01-04CT)

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(12/21-1/11cB)

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(02-06ThursCT)

Announcements

NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS Meets at 146 S. Bent, Powell (Big Horn Enterprise building) Tues., Thurs., Sun., at 7 pm., Sat. at 10 a.m. Call 307-213-9434 for more info.

(21TFFT)

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(24TFFT)

NA MEETS IN LOVELL, Mondays at 7 p.m. at 1141 Shoshone Ave., Saint Joseph's Catholic Church. Call 307-213-9434 for more info.

(16TFFT)

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS MEETINGS on Tuesday at 7 p.m. and Friday at 8 p.m. at 256 East Fifth St., Lovell Search and Rescue Building. Call 831-240-8984.

(7/27tnfL)

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(15ThursTFFT)

Help Wanted

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RED LODGE CLAY CENTER



Kelsey Bowen created this ceramic piece, which will be displayed at NWC. Courtesy images

Exhibit opens next week

An exhibit of work by seven ceramists from the Red Lodge Clay Center in Montana opens Tuesday with a 4:30 p.m. artists' reception at Northwest College's Northwest Gallery in Powell.

This is the 10th year Red Lodge Clay Center ceramists have exhibited their work at NWC, bringing together artists with distinct styles from throughout the country.

The exhibit showcases a combination of functional and decorative ceramics that include both wheel-thrown and hand-built pieces. Featured resident artists this year are Kelsey Bowen, Matt Fiske, Crista Ames and Allison Cochran.

Viewers will discover a wide variety of work that spans from purely fun to colorful and rustic.

Bowen, of Oakland, California, says she finds an unparalleled personal release in creating art with clay.

"Working with my forms and creating these brief moments for myself are my last lingering stitches of childhood and a way to connect myself to what is no longer my tangible reality," Bowen explains. "For a moment, the fantastical objects in my world are alive, and the stories I am telling are curiously real."

Fiske, originally from Carbon-dale, Illinois, finds his passion within the intersection of ceramics, geology and material science. Experimentation is a crucial part of his studio practice, and he works to manipulate common materials using uncommon firing conditions.

Currently a resident of Missoula, Montana, Ames says her work, "seeks to visualize the distortions of memory and the sensation of transitive or dissociative states of mind." Working primarily in ceramics and textiles, she explores the ways humans establish and sustain personal relationships.

Cochran, who hails from Cincinnati, Ohio, shares that she uses ceramics "as a way to question the contemporary standards our culture has set through the influence of the media." She notes she's interested in the way advertising images affect society's subconscious ideas about gender characteristics and body image. Cochran is currently working to create porcelain vessels that are designed to aid in the act of self-



By Matt Fiske



By Allison Cochran

control with food.

Also contributing to the exhibit are Red Lodge Clay Center staffers David Hiltner, Sean O'Connell and Ernest Ford.

The Red Lodge Clay Center exhibit is displayed through Friday, March 2, in the Northwest Gallery. Located in the Cabre

Building on the NWC campus, the gallery is open from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. weekdays and Thursday evenings from 7-9 p.m. Admission is free.

For more information about this exhibit, contact Denise Kelsay, art and galleries coordinator, at NWC, at denise.kelsay@nwc.edu or 754-6499.

NWC professor to discuss history of Montana poultry specialist Saturday

Amy McKinney will share the story of poultry specialist Harriette Cushman during the Northwest College Professor of the Month Talk at 1:30 p.m. Saturday at the Cody library.

McKinney is an associate professor of history at NWC.

In 1922, the Extension Service at Montana State College in Bozeman hired Cushman to

be Montana's poultry specialist. Over the next 32 years, Cushman worked to build a profitable poultry industry that proved an economic godsend during Montana's prolonged economic depression.

A woman of many interests, Cushman also championed the Indian Center at Montana State University and advocated for

libraries, museums and the arts. She also was a lifelong supporter of 4-H, an environmental advocate and a prolific writer.

The NWC Professor of the Month Talks are hosted by the Park County Library System, Park County Library Foundation, Northwest College Foundation and Northwest College.

February 1, 6, 8 & 13

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Angela and Trevor Carpenter of Powell run down the steps in front of Union Presbyterian Church on their wedding day, Sept. 23, 2017. The photo is similar to the one taken of Angela's grandparents' on their wedding day nearly six decades ago. Angela's grandparents, Karla and Donald Gorrell, are at the top of the steps on the left. Her mother, Terri Reinhardt, is in front on the right. Photo courtesy Jet Snelling Photography

MATCHING MATRIMONY

BRIDE RE-CREATES HER GRANDPARENTS' WEDDING PHOTO

BY ILENE OLSON
Tribune Staff Writer

At her sister's wedding, Angela (Reinhardt) Carpenter noticed an old wedding photo on one of the centerpieces.

The bride and groom in the photo are running joyously past a group of bridesmaids, groomsmen and wedding guests in front of the church where they were just married. Nearby, children shout and join in on the celebration.

"It's got that old-style look to it," Angela said of the photo. "It looks like it's right out of a magazine."

'When we were talking about the photos that she wanted, that was the No. 1 [priority]. It was really important to Angela'

Jet Snelling
Photographer

Her mother set the record straight: The bride and groom in the old photo to were Angela's maternal grandparents, Karla and Donald Gorrell. The photo was taken on their wedding day, Sept. 13, 1959, on the steps of the Presbyterian Church in Powell.

Angela, a native of Montana, came to Powell to do her student teaching. Five months after her sister's wedding, Angela got engaged to Trevor Carpenter, a Powell police officer and the man of her dreams.

She loved his smile and was intrigued by this man of few words; he admired her faith.

"He knew I was the girl [he wanted to marry] that day his sister introduced us," Angela said.

Trevor proposed to Angela on Dec. 15, 2016, when the windchill was 46 degrees below zero. "And we were outside," Angela recalled. "He jokes that he almost turned me into a Popsicle that night."

When the couple decided to get married in Powell, Angela's mother suggested re-creating the Gorrells' wedding photo.

Angela loved the idea. So, when she contacted a photographer, re-creating her grandparents' photo was one of her first requests.

"When we were talking about the photos that she wanted, that was the No. 1 [priority]," said photographer Jet Snelling of Billings. "It was really important to Angela."

Snelling and Angela are longtime friends,



Karla and Donald Gorrell run down the steps of Union Presbyterian Church in Powell after their wedding on Sept. 13, 1959. The wooden doors have been replaced since then, but the building remains largely the same. Courtesy photo

and she was the only photographer Angela considered for her wedding.

"I've known Angela for several years," Snelling said. "She's like a daughter to me."

So the three of them studied the old wedding photo together to decide how they wanted to re-create that photographic moment.

Angela and Trevor were married on Sept. 23 at New Life Church. But, before the wedding, the bride and groom gathered with their wedding party and family members on the steps of Union Presbyterian Church.

It didn't take long to re-create the 1959 wedding photo, Snelling said.

"I think I had them run down the steps maybe three times," she said, while the wed-

ding party lined on the right side of the photo, and Angela's grandparents looked on from the top of the steps.

"We thought it was great," grandmother Karla Gorrell said. "It was very, very nice, and we loved and enjoyed it, and we enjoyed our whole weekend in Powell. ... We're actually kind of proud, I think, that our granddaughter loves it there."

Karla (Barber) and Donald Gorrell both are from Powell. After they were married, they moved to Bozeman, where Donald attended college, and they later settled in Billings.

"I love them with all my heart," Angela said. "They have a very loving, God-fearing

relationship that I admire and would like to have, too. Grandpa and Grandma always said the key to a lasting marriage is to be very Christ-centered and be able to laugh with one another. After 58 years, I think they proved it."

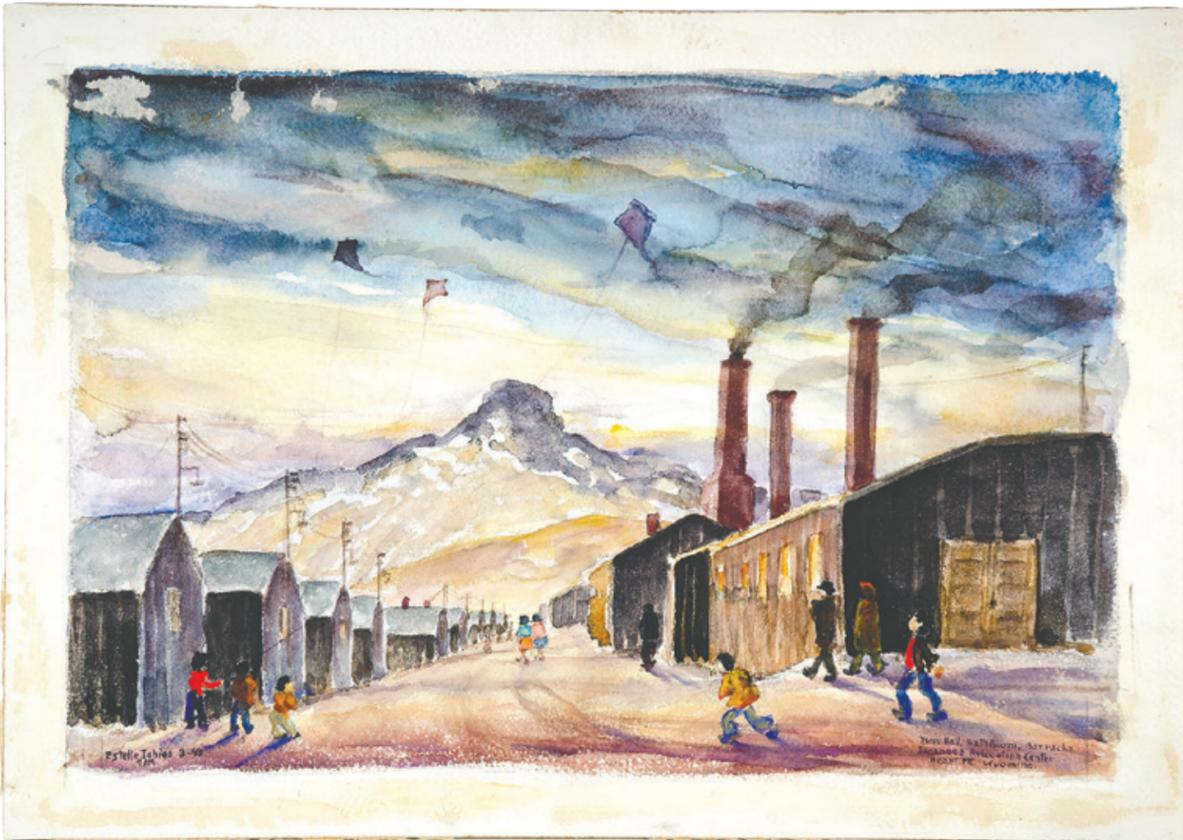
Karla said she feels honored by Angela's re-creation of her own wedding photo.

"We've got both photos here, framed," she said.

Snelling said she enjoyed taking photos at Angela's and Trevor's wedding.

"That was the most fun I've ever had at a wedding," she said, adding, "I'm not done with Angela. There's babies to come, family pictures. I'm not done with that girl."

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Estelle Ishigo painted this watercolor, titled 'Mess Hall, Bathroom, Barracks. Japanese Relocation Center. Heart Mt. Wyoming,' in March 1943. Estelle documented life at Heart Mountain through her artwork. Photo courtesy the Coolidge and Dame family papers, Collection of the Massachusetts Historical Society

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COUPLE REFUSED TO BE SEPARATED IN WORLD WAR II A Heart Mountain love story

BY TESSA BAKER
Tribune Features Editor

When the U.S. government forced Arthur Ishigo to leave his home for a Japanese-American internment camp, he didn't have a choice.

His wife, Estelle, did. As a white American, she could decide to continue living in freedom.

Instead, she chose love. "Estelle refused to abandon Arthur, refused to let him go to one of these camps alone," said Dakota Russell, museum manager at the Heart Mountain Interpretive Center.

In the wake of the Pearl Harbor attacks in December 1941, thousands of Japanese-Americans were forced to leave their homes, businesses and the lives they knew.

During the spring of 1942, Estelle Ishigo wrote to the U.S. Army, asking if she could accompany her husband to the internment camp.

"The Army wrote back and said of course she could, but they warned her she would be subject to the same rules and the same treatment as every other incarcerated," Russell said. "Estelle accepted that, if she could be with Arthur."

Ultimately, the couple was sent to live behind barbed wire at Heart Mountain.

Arthur and Estelle were no strangers to conflict. Rather, they're an example of a "couple whose love transcends whatever tragedy they encounter," said Russell, who shared details of Arthur and Estelle's lives during a program at the Heart Mountain Interpretive Center.

EARLY YEARS

Both Arthur and Estelle endured tragedies in their early years.

Arthur was born in 1902, the son of Japanese immigrants. When he was a young boy, his mother died. After a stint in a boarding school, Arthur and his father eventually moved to Japan. His dad died when he was 14, and



The young couple is pictured with a German shepherd. While interned at Heart Mountain during WWII, Arthur adopted animals he found in the camp as pets. Photo courtesy Estelle Ishigo Photographs, American Heritage Center, University of Wyoming

Arthur returned to America. He later moved to Los Angeles, with dreams of becoming an actor.

Estelle Peck was born in 1899 to a wealthy, artistic couple in California. Her parents were both over the age of 50 when Estelle was born, "and she always felt she was a mistake," Russell said.

She was raised mostly by a nurse, then by various relatives, one of whom abused her.

Estelle ended up on the streets, but eventually returned home around 1920 when her mother died. Her father died soon after, leaving Estelle "more or less alone in the world."

Estelle later enrolled in the Otis Art Institute in Los Angeles, joining a significant number of Asian artists who were there at the time.

Estelle's Japanese-American friends introduced her to a young

janitor at Paramount Studios who was a struggling actor — Arthur Ishigo.

"Despite being raised by very old-fashioned parents, despite living in a time and place when interracial marriage was completely taboo, Estelle described her first meeting with Arthur as love at first sight," Russell said.

The couple enjoyed spending time together in nature — Arthur was an avid fisherman, while Estelle was a landscape painter.

"As they got closer, they began to contemplate getting married," Russell said.

But it was forbidden under the laws in California — a white woman could not marry a Japanese-American man at the time.

"So in 1928, Arthur and Estelle slipped below the border and were married in Mexico," Russell said.

Upon returning to the U.S., they faced even more discrimination as a married couple.

"They stayed largely within the Japanese-American community and arts community, where they were a little more welcome," Russell said.

Estelle started teaching art, while Arthur worked at Paramount.

"They lived a life that was not perfect by any means, but with each other, they were happy," Russell said.

Their lives changed on Dec. 7, 1941, when Japan attacked Pearl Harbor.

INTERNMENT CAMP

Soon after the bombing of Pearl Harbor, Arthur was fired, along with every other Japanese-American at Paramount. A couple weeks later, Estelle lost her job, because of her last name.

Whispers spread that Japanese-Americans would be removed from the West Coast.

"Rumor became a reality in the spring of 1942," Russell said.

Though their lives were uprooted, Estelle and Arthur refused to be separated by the war.

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When Arthur Ishigo was forced to relocate to Heart Mountain during WWII, his wife Estelle joined him. This photo of the couple is a screenshot from Steven Okazaki's film 'Days of Waiting' about Estelle Ishigo. Courtesy photo

Heart Mountain:

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"They were each other's rock," Russell said. "They completely relied on each other to make the other one better and by extension, make the world a little bit better."

Arthur and Estelle gathered whatever belongings they could take and reported to the Pomona Assembly Center in California. That's where they first saw the substandard housing, overcrowding and barbed-wire that would separate them from the outside world, Russell said.

"That summer, they got the news that they would be moving to Wyoming," he said.

In August 1942, Arthur and Estelle took the last train out of Pomona, bound for Heart Mountain. As they had in the past, Arthur and Estelle tried to make the best of their situation.

"They almost immediately started to try to improve the state of things around them," Russell said.

Arthur took a job as a boiler man in the camp, waking up early to scoop coal to provide hot water for their block. When he finished in the afternoon, Arthur often got a pass from the guards so he could go fishing in the Shoshone River. He also made pets out of wild animals he found in the camp, including a magpie and a rattlesnake.

As a performer at heart, Arthur also participated in plays and other performances at Heart Mountain.

"He got deeply involved in that," Russell said.

Because of her ethnicity, Estelle was able to get a job with the War Relocation Authority, documenting day-to-day life in the camps. Her pay was \$19 per month, and she spent her time drawing, painting and writing, Russell said.

"She tried watercolors, but eventually started steering away from watercolors because it made it look too bright and happy," he

said. "So a lot of times, she would stick to her black and white drawings, with the idea to present camp life as it really was."

While Estelle documented life in the camp, she also came up with a secret plan to expose the injustices the Japanese-Americans suffered.

"She would say, 'Someone has to keep a record,'" Russell said.

AFTER HEART MOUNTAIN

As World War II ended, the U.S. government started closing internment camps.

"A lot of these people, Arthur and Estelle included, had nothing to return to," Russell said.

The couple left on the last train from Heart Mountain in November 1945.

Estelle's artwork and stories were the property of the U.S. government, but she kept back some of the pieces, smuggling them out of the camp.

Arthur and Estelle couldn't get their jobs back in California, and ended up in a trailer camp. Eventually, Estelle started teaching again and working on her book to expose what the government had done and what life was really like in the internment camps.

Sadly, Arthur died suddenly at the age of 55, following a short illness.

"Arthur was irreplaceable to Estelle, and without him, she was lost," Russell said.

She gave up her work on the book, fell into a depression and became a recluse.

In 1972, the Los Angeles Historical Society did an exhibit of her artwork, and Estelle rallied, finally publishing her book, "Lone Heart Mountain."

Estelle's life was never the same after she lost Arthur. Friends from her Heart Mountain years reached out to help Estelle as she lived alone and struggled with health issues before her death in 1990.

Her friends scattered her ashes at the top of Heart Mountain.



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Wedding fairs next week

WEDDING EXPO JAN. 18 IN CODY, BRIDAL FAIR JAN. 20 IN POWELL

BY TESSA BAKER
Tribune Features Editor

For newly engaged couples, planning a wedding can seem like a daunting task. If you're wondering where to start, two local bridal fairs next week will provide plenty of answers.

During the My Wyoming Wedding Expo in Cody on Jan. 18 and Bridal Fair in Powell on Jan. 20, couples can meet vendors specializing in photography, cakes, catering, flowers, linens, venues and more.

Both events will be a "one-stop shop" for wedding planning, organizers said.

Grooms-to-be are encouraged to join their brides-to-be at My Wyoming Wedding Expo.

"We're doing a romantic evening this year — we're going to try something different," said Lynn Lampe, owner of Geysers on The Terrace.

Mothers, bridesmaids and other family members also are welcome, Lampe said, but she wanted to reach out to the guys this year.

Lampe's main advice for couples planning a wedding: Book early.

"You don't need to necessarily go into details, but just book the date," she said.

All of the details can come later, but it's important to sign a contract or put down a deposit to ensure you have the date reserved, since "the best of the best get booked very quickly,"

Lampe said.

"If you wait until May or June, you won't get anything," she said. "You won't get your venue, you won't get your caterer, you won't get your photographer, you won't get your florist."

In addition to offering a chance to talk with vendors, the upcoming bridal shows will give couples a chance to see The Terrace and the Park County Fairgrounds as wedding/reception venues.

"We're trying to promote the fairgrounds as a facility for a reception or wedding or both, and then help promote local businesses," said Teecee Barrett, Park County events coordinator.

The new events center at the fairgrounds, which opened in 2015, is available for weddings year-round.

"We've hung lights at 10-foot tall, and they're up all the time, so it kind of brings that ceiling down so it's more accommodating to a wedding venue," Barrett said.

The fairgrounds offers round and rectangular tables, chairs, a sound system, stage and commercial kitchen.

"It's all included in their rental fee, which I think is a huge bonus, too," Barrett said.

The fairgrounds also offers space for outdoor weddings, and a couple recently got married in the rabbit barn.

"The rafters are great, and it has good bones and stuff to it," Barrett said. "So we'll have that decorated as well so you can see

'If you wait until May or June, you won't get anything. You won't get your venue, you won't get your caterer, you won't get your photographer, you won't get your florist.'

Lynn Lampe
Geysers on The Terrace

it more than 'the rabbit barn.'"

The Park County Events Department is still accepting vendors for the Jan. 20 bridal fair. For more information, call 754-8855.

WORKING WITH LOCAL VENDORS

An advantage of working with local venues and vendors is the opportunity to meet with them in person to work out the details.

"Come to your meetings with all the Pinterest pictures you can possibly garner," Lampe said. "Because then it's easier for us to read their minds."

She said there's a lot of talented professionals locally who can help make a couple's dream wedding a reality.

Locals already understand what's available in the area, she added.

"All the great photographers in our area know where to go to get the best pictures," Lampe said.

She encouraged couples to work with professionals who are licensed and insured, and look at examples of their work to make sure it fits your style.

When planning a wedding, she said to be prepared for a little bit of sticker shock, since professionals are expensive — but they bring experience, expertise and equipment so couples don't have to worry on the big day.

"Weddings aren't inexpensive — they can be, but you get what you pay for," she said.

Expect to see shades of purple at 2018 weddings.

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Tim Murray kisses his wife Margaret at the Powell Drug soda fountain, where they have worked together for over 30 years. The soda fountain is moving to The Lavender Rose. Tribune photo by Mark Davis

Stolen kisses

FAMILY THE SECRET TO 61 YEARS OF WEDDED BLISS

BY MARK DAVIS
Tribune Staff Writer

Tim Murray's marriage proposal to his sweetheart, Margaret, wasn't the most romantic of occasions. He was driving his soon-to-be bride down the road in his 1954 Ford Coupe, his first brand new car.

"I just said, 'Honey, I think we ought to get married. What do you think about it?'" Tim said while cleaning up at the Powell Drug soda fountain after the lunch rush. "She said, 'Suits me,'" he said.

Margaret broke into a broad smile as Tim told the story. She loves to hear him recount their love story and prompted him to do so. Then she claimed to have tricked him into proposing, laughing with glee. Her smile will warm your heart and her beauty, even at the age of 80, still lights up a room — especially for Tim.

In the 1950s she worked folding papers on Wednesdays at the local newspaper in Craig, Colorado. Tim would come in for a hand-delivered copy and Margaret would always be sure his paper was at the bottom of the stack.

"When I saw him coming I'd hide his paper on the bottom of the stack," she said. "When he figured me out I started hiding his paper in the cabinet just to keep him there a little longer."

They started taking long drives in Tim's car to the lodge at Steamboat to watch skiers through the big picture window while having romantic dinners. In those days Steamboat didn't even have a lift, just a rope attached to a tractor. Tim and Margaret spent as much time gazing into each other's eyes as watching the action on the slopes.

After Margaret accepted Tim's proposal they waited for two long years and were married at the First Christian Church in 1956. All the pews were full to watch the wedding. They hid the Ford down the road from the church — to make sure it wasn't decorated by Tim's friends. They slipped out of the reception early to head south to visit Mesa Verde National Park and then on to New Mexico for their honeymoon.

Then Tim was transferred to Sidney, Nebraska — about 300 miles from the love of his life. A year later their first child was born.

"I liked to have worn that new car out driving back and forth," he said.

He had saved his checks from a six-year stint in the Army to buy the car. The miles between Sidney and Craig were long, but never too long to get back to his growing family. For two long years he made the trip, but the miles racked up on the coupe, adorned in wide, shiny chrome down the sides, were nothing compared to the miles the family would travel together seeing the world.

Tim was a salesman for National Supply, a division of Armco Steel. National was the world's largest producer of oil- and gas-well drilling machinery and equipment and Tim was one of their top salesmen.

He started his career in Craig, then he packed up his bride and moved to Nebraska. From there he was transferred to Glendive, Montana, and then again to Williston, North Dakota. The Murrays were growing

'I just said, "Honey, I think we ought to get married. What do you think about it?"'
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Tim Murray

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Margaret and Tim Murray are pictured on their wedding day in 1956. Courtesy photo

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Murrays: They never found a place they loved more than Powell

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weariness of the transient lifestyle yet 18 months later they transferred back to their home state of Colorado — this time in Ft. Morgan. Their stay in Colorado was sweet, but then again they were forced to move, following Tim's job to Powell.

For 12 years they made friends and fell in love with the community. Margaret tended to her children's needs and made their house into a home. They enjoyed going to the movies when they could sneak away for some alone time.

But not all were happy days. The couple lost their 17-year-old son, Billy, who had suffered from asthma since birth. The wounds of losing their son, who wanted to be a pilot, are still fresh and both find his death hard to talk about.

When tragedy hits — especially the loss of a child — grieving parents can find the pain too much, dividing many couples. Or it can also strengthen the relationship as family members

turn to each other for comfort. The Murray's were the latter, relying on the warmth of the family to heal their broken hearts.

But then Tim was transferred to Abu Dhabi, the capital of the United Arab Emirates. Margaret stayed in Powell. It was the longest period of time the two have been separated. But neither could stand being a world away. Their daughter Cindy was away at college and Margaret missed her handsome soldier. She was lonely.

"He got chewed on all the time," said Margaret implicating herself. "Come home," she would demand. The life of women in the Middle East was restrictive and Margaret isn't the type to be told to stay put.

Tim soon requested a transfer to Aberdeen, in northeast Scotland, to work sales to the city's offshore petroleum industry. He sent for his family.

Three years later Tim officially retired after 30 years with National Supply and soon moved his family back to the community they loved — Pow-

ell. They knew it would be tight, but they missed their home and decided to make his retirement checks work. They had kept their house hoping to return.

"I thought I was going to fish and play golf for the rest of my life," Tim said.

But he got bored.

When Steve Rogers (Cindy's husband) needed help at the downtown soda fountain, Tim agreed to fill in. He started as a dishwasher, but soon graduated to head waiter.

Margaret, for the first time since her clerk job in Craig, joined him in the working world. She always dreamed of having an antique and tea shop like the ones she used to frequent in Scotland. They covered the walls with family photos and family news and offered the story of their lives together to those glancing at the collection.

For more than 30 years they have worked together at the fountain. Neither takes a paycheck. The fountain was more than a job — it was their home away from home.

Now they are leaving the pristine, red-bricked centerpiece business on main street of downtown Powell. But they aren't retiring. Instead, they've moved their antiques, gifts and lunch counter to a new location on South Street just a few blocks away. The business, The Lavender Rose, will be their new home. They'll have more room for the antiques and they're taking the soda fountain with them. But most of all, they'll be together.

Tim and Margaret are still in love — like the kids who loved to cruise, sitting close on the bench seat in their '54 Ford. They have visited many romantic destinations, like Paris and London, but they never found a place they loved more than Powell.

Their secret to a successful marriage is simple: Keep busy doing what you love and stay close to your family and the people you love.

On occasion, if you're lucky, you might find Tim stealing a quick kiss from his blushing bride while they clean up alone after the lunch rush.



After living in several states and abroad, Tim and Margaret Murray returned to Powell, the community they love. The couple will celebrate their 62nd anniversary this year. Tribune photo by Mark Davis

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD



Brandon and Erika Lewis are pictured on their wedding day, Sept. 9, 2017. Photo courtesy Kim Zierlein, www.frontierfortitude.com

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<p>30</p> <p>Average age of brides on their wedding day</p>	<p>32</p> <p>Average age of grooms on their wedding day</p>	
	<p>9</p> <p>Number of people the average couple has in their wedding party</p>	<p>124</p> <p>Average number of invited wedding guests</p>
<p>4k</p> <p>Dollars spent on average for the honeymoon</p>		<p>63</p> <p>Percent of brides who feel pressured to have the perfect wedding</p>
	<p>60</p> <p>Average percent of budget set for catering, venue, music, photos and videos</p>	<p>50</p> <p>Percent of millennial couples whose parents pay for most of the wedding</p>
<p>84</p> <p>Percent of couples who get married within 50 miles of where they live</p>	<p>71</p> <p>Percent of couples who say "I do" between May and October</p>	

Source: WeddingWire's 2017 Newlywed Report, based on a comprehensive study of more than 13,000 couples, data of WeddingWire users and additional research conducted throughout 2016. Tribune graphic by Gary Staebler

What you need to get a marriage license

The cost to apply for a Wyoming marriage license is \$30, with an additional \$5 fee for a certified copy of the license.

To get a marriage license in Wyoming, applicants both must be 18 years of age or older, or have signed consent from their parents if they are 16 or 17.

A judge's court order is required before anyone 15 or younger can obtain a Wyoming marriage license.

The applicants both need identification: A driver's license, birth certificate, military ID, passport, school ID, etc.

Other required information:

- Social Security number.
- Phone number.
- Current residential address.
- Date and place of birth.
- Father's first, middle and last name and the state or foreign country of his birth.
- Mother's first, middle and maiden name and the state or foreign country of her birth.
- If divorced, state and the date of the last divorce.

- If widowed, date spouse died.
- Race and Hispanic origin.

There is no waiting period for marriage licenses in Wyoming, and blood tests are not required.

If not used, the license expires one year from the date of issuance.

Park County Clerk Colleen Renner said it is surprising how often people don't know their parents' birth dates or places of birth, and they sometimes don't know their mothers' maiden names, either.

Another, more recent problem: "We find that, with the younger generation, they've never signed their name in cursive, or signed their full name with their middle name. So many of them ask, 'Can we print it?' and we say, 'No, you need to sign it. Printing it is not a signature.'"

Renner said her office gets many inquiries about getting married in Yellowstone.

Before couples can do that, they must apply for and receive

a special use permit from the Visitors Service Office in Yellowstone National Park in addition to obtaining a marriage license in Park County, she said.

The YNP Visitors Service Office can be reached by telephone at 307-344-2109; by fax at 307-344-2014; or by mail at P.O. Box 168, Yellowstone National Park, WY, 82190.

"One thing we have to remind them is, they still need to make sure they're in Wyoming boundaries when they get married in the park" and not in a part of Yellowstone that extends over the border into Montana or Idaho, Renner added.

"A [Park County] marriage license is good in any part of Wyoming, but they have to be in the boundaries of Wyoming," she said.

A list of officiants is available online at www.parkcounty.us under Clerk's Department or in the clerk's office at the courthouse.

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Keep cards, gifts safe at wedding and reception

While most guests attend a wedding to wish couples well, that's not always the case.

Unfortunately, an uninvited or unwelcome guest can have malicious intentions: To steal cards or gifts.

In a small town, it may not seem like someone would steal from a wedding reception, but Lynn Lampe said it does happen.

"It's so sad," said Lampe, who helps couples plan weddings through RoadGrill Catering & Design and Geysers on The Terrace.

She recommends designating someone at the wedding to greet guests and take care of gifts and

cards. It's also important to have a secure holder for cards, since they often contain cash, checks or gift cards.

"A lot of people have a cutesy little basket out there for them to throw cards in — don't do that," she said.

Someone can easily swipe cards from an open basket or even walk off with the entire thing. She suggested having a bigger holder that you could see someone trying to take. A secure, small opening is also crucial.

Building a secure, unique card holder is a good project for grooms, she said.

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Diana Davis poses for a photo with her pals, Magnum and George. After being married to columnist Mark Davis for nearly two decades, she should be awarded a medal for patience. Photo by Mark Davis

Adventures in marriage

OUTDOOR ADVENTURE PREPARES YOUNG COUPLES FOR TESTS OF MARRIAGE

BY MARK DAVIS
Tribune Staff Writer

I knew from the first moment my Diana was the gal for me. The problem I found while courting her: She's picky about her dates.

We worked in the same office for a newspaper in northwest Indiana. I used every excuse I could think of to be at her desk. She wasn't impressed.

I asked her out shortly after meeting her. She told me she didn't date guys from work. So I quit my job. I asked again — turns out she didn't want to date someone not gainfully employed. So I got a new job, but out of state.

At this point she held all the cards, knowing I was smitten by my persistence. I asked her again, but she wasn't excited about a long-distance relationship.

After much begging she eventually agreed to visit me two states away. I'm quite the romantic — I took her fishing and camping. She caught her biggest fish ever — a catfish from a jon boat on Lake McConaughy in western Nebraska. We fixed trout on the campfire and then Mother Nature lent a romantic hand and made it pour. Nothing prompts a warm embrace on a camping trip in an unsteady tent like 70-mph winds and buckets of rain.

We were married later that year and have been together for two decades. Every time I look in her eyes I still see my young bride — when she smiles I tend to forget where I'm at and go in for a kiss. That's where the trouble starts. She's dead set against public displays of affection.

"Nobody wants to see that," she'll say. I don't care. I came from an affectionate family. I remember driving through my hometown in my '69 Camaro and seeing my mom and dad walking down the street on their lunch breaks hand in hand. I still smile every time I think of the two of them smooching in the kitchen while preparing Sunday dinners. Every conversation between the two lovebirds ended in a kiss and every phone call ended in an "I love you."

Personally, I'd rather walk down the street and see a couple obviously in love than the alternative. Trips to town have often weakened my opinion of mankind's ability to be civil. I've witnessed far too many public displays of anger to feel a little tenderness is the worst form of emoting in front of family, friends and strangers.

But if you know Big D, you'll understand



Mark and Diana Davis pose for a photo while hiking in the Sunlight Basin. Photo courtesy Rovenna Cooley

what I'm about to say. She's a strong woman and it doesn't matter if I feel a kiss is warranted. If I try to steal a kiss in public I'm more apt to get hurt feelings than a peck in return.

To say PDAs have been our largest marital problem would be a gross exaggeration. As a mediocre fisherman I'm quite skilled at exaggerating. Yet, like all married couples, we have faced and will face tests until death do us part.

I'm not an expert at relationships. They've always been a mystery to me. While I'm an open book for all to read, Diana is mysterious. Her dark eyes are hard to read and her motivations are often hidden. But I'd have to say if there was one piece of advice to newlyweds: Get outdoors often, sharing the

gifts of Mother Nature. The memories you share through the years will be filled with grand images of something bigger than any one person, and adventure often reminds couples that they are stronger than the testy moments which appear too large to overcome.

Diana and I went dog sledding and mountaineering on our honeymoon. At one point we became lost on the mountain. Gale force winds and bone-chilling cold brought us to the point of regretting not being on a beach in the Caribbean. Yet, after trying several paths that led to nowhere, we found the right path and made our way to the warmth of our cottage below. OK, it was actually a Super 8 motel. But, as a persistent, mediocre fisherman I have earned the right to exaggerate a little.

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